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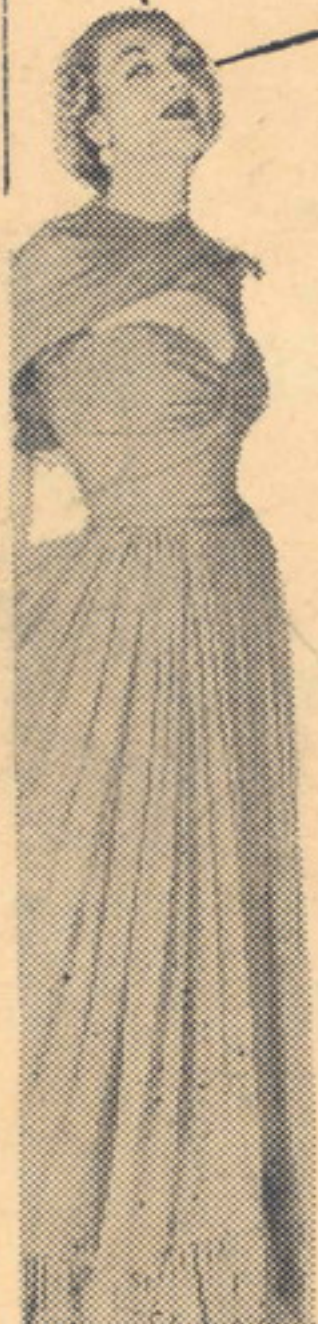




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Figure's
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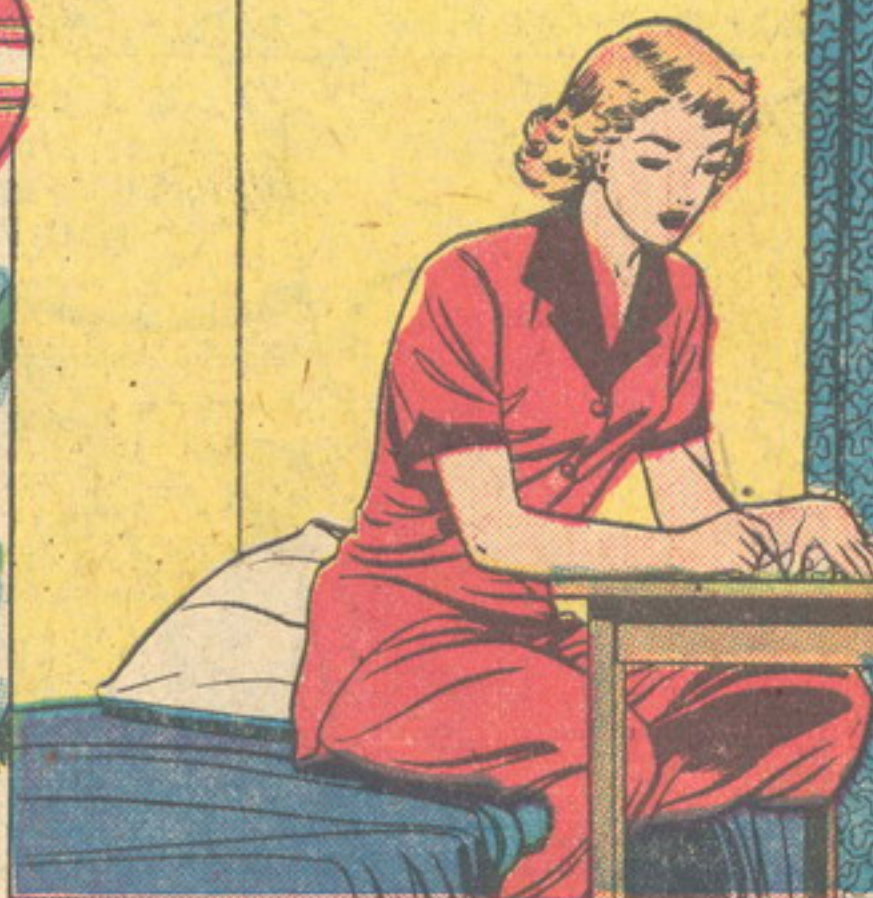


Romance for Christmas

CHRISTMAS CAN BE THE LONELIEST TIME IN THE WORLD AND ADAIRE DREAMED OF A HANDSOME YOUNG SANTA CLAUS WHO WOULD BRING ROMANCE IN HIS PACK...

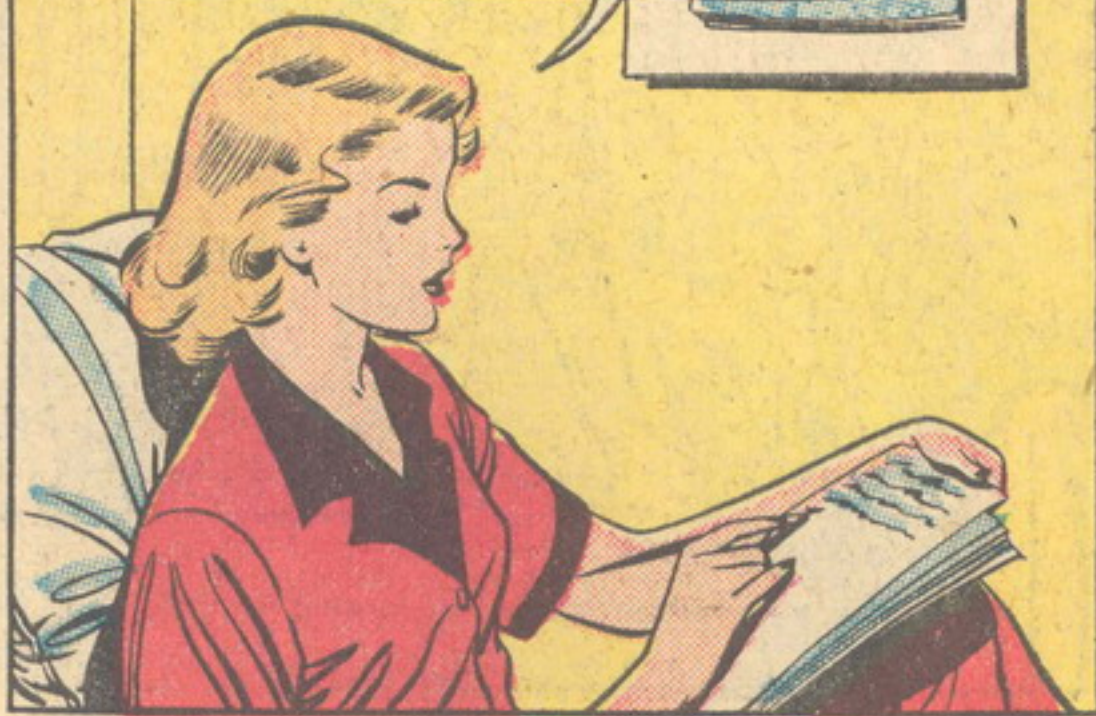
IT WAS MY FIRST YEAR AWAY FROM MY FAMILY AND HOME AND SUCH A DISILLUSIONING YEAR! I HAD HOPED TO FIND ROMANCE AND EXCITEMENT IN MY NEW JOB IN THE CITY, BUT THERE WERE NO YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE OFFICE, OR IN THE BOARDINGHOUSE WHERE I LIVED. WHEN CHRISTMAS CAME I COULD NOT AFFORD TO MAKE THE LONG TRIP HOME. I KNEW MY FAMILY WOULD NOT ENJOY THEIR OWN CHRISTMAS IF THEY KNEW HOW MISERABLE AND LONELY I WAS, SO I WROTE THEM GAY LETTERS OF MY PRETENDED ACTIVITIES, JUST AS I HAD DONE ALL YEAR LONG...

...I AM GOING TO SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH ONE OF THE GIRLS IN THE OFFICE. SHE HAS SEVERAL HANDSOME BROTHERS AND I DON'T KNOW WHICH ONE I LIKE THE BEST, BUT DICK WILL BE MY PARTICULAR ESCORT AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY THEY ARE GIVING. SO DON'T WORRY IF I DON'T WRITE AGAIN UNTIL AFTER THE HOLIDAYS. . .



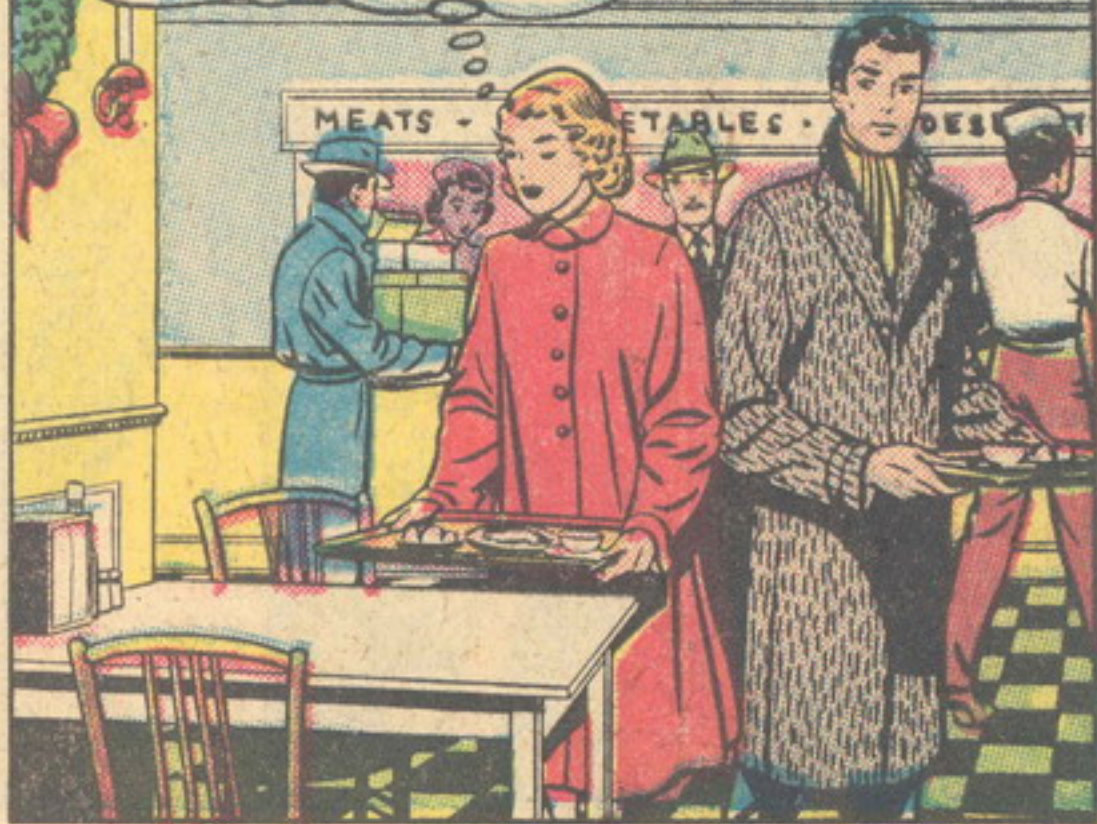
AS I WROTE, I HAD TO BE CAREFUL THAT MY LONELY TEARS DIDN'T STAIN THE LETTER. . .

...THERE WILL BE SOMETHING GAY AND EXCITING GOING ON EVERY MINUTE. I SENT YOUR BOX LAST WEEK, AND A MONEY ORDER FOR SOME EXTRA CHRISTMAS "TRIMMINGS". DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME. I'M HAVING A WONDERFUL TIME!



AFTER I MAILED MY LETTER, I STOPPED INTO A CAFETERIA FOR MY USUAL LONELY DINNER. . .

WHEN I FINISH HERE, I'M GOING OUT AND BUY MYSELF A CHRISTMAS TREE. I'LL HAVE THAT MUCH AT LEAST!





MIND IF I SIT HERE?

WHY--WHY, NO. NOT AT ALL!



IN SPITE OF MY DISMAL FRAME OF MIND, I COULDN'T HELP BEING A LITTLE THRILLED TO SIT AT A TABLE WITH A MAN LIKE THIS! HE WAS THE KIND I HAD DREAMED OF MEETING WHEN I CAME TO THE CITY.

WELL, TOMORROW NIGHT IS CHRISTMAS EVE!

THAT'S RIGHT!



IT'S NOT MUCH FUN TO SPEND CHRISTMAS ALONE, IS IT? BUT MAYBE YOU'RE ONE OF THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE TO SPEND IT ALONE AND ARE GOING TO HAVE A WONDERFUL TIME!



I WOULD NEVER HAVE THOUGHT OF A MAN THIS YOUNG AND HANDSOME AND WELL-DRESSED HAVING TO BE ALONE AT CHRISTMAS OR ANY OTHER TIME, AND I WOULD NOT HAVE ADMITTED MY OWN LONELINESS TO ANYONE ELSE, BUT THE WAY HE SPOKE MADE ME FEEL HE WAS ALONE, TOO...

AS A MATTER OF FACT, I'M GOING TO HAVE A VERY DISMAL TIME!



I'VE BEEN FEELING VERY SORRY FOR MYSELF. WE NEVER HAD MUCH MONEY AT HOME, BUT WE HAD A LOT OF FUN, AND I'LL MISS ALL THAT THIS YEAR!

YOU MEAN YOU AREN'T GOING ANYWHERE FOR CHRISTMAS, OR AREN'T GOING TO DO ANYTHING?



OH, I'M GOING TO DO SOMETHING, ALL RIGHT! WHEN I FINISH DINNER I'M GOING OUT AND BUY MYSELF A TREE, AND TOMORROW NIGHT I'LL TRIM IT!

THAT'S THE SPIRIT! AND WOULD YOU THINK ME AWFULLY FRESH IF I WENT TREE-SHOPPING WITH YOU?

I TRIED NOT TO SHOW HOW THRILLED AND EXCITED I WAS BY HIS SUGGESTION . . .

WHY, I'D BE GLAD TO HAVE YOU IF YOU WANT TO COME ALONG ! THINGS ARE MUCH MORE FUN IF SOMEONE IS WITH YOU !

SURE, THEY ARE ! MY NAME IS NORWARD MURRAY, BY THE WAY !



THE NAME SOUNDED VAGUELY FAMILIAR, BUT I WAS SURE I HAD NEVER SEEN HIM BEFORE. HE WASN'T THE TYPE OF MAN YOU FORGOT !

I'M ADAIRE RADLEY !

A VERY PRETTY NAME FOR A PRETTY GIRL !



I ONLY WANT A SMALL TREE BECAUSE MY ROOM IS SO SMALL !

YOU'RE THE KIND OF GIRL WHO OUGHT TO HAVE THE BIGGEST, MOST BEAUTIFUL TREE IN THE WORLD !



I'LL BUY MY ORNAMENTS TOMORROW IN THE DIME STORE !

I WONDER IF YOU'D LET ME SHARE YOUR CHRISTMAS, ADAIRE ?



I THINK WE COULD MAKE CHRISTMAS INTO SOMETHING VERY GAY, TOGETHER !

I'M SURE WE CAN, NORWARD !



YOU'RE SO SWEET, ADAIRE, I CAN'T RESIST DOING THIS !

OH !



DON'T BE ANGRY, ADAIRE !





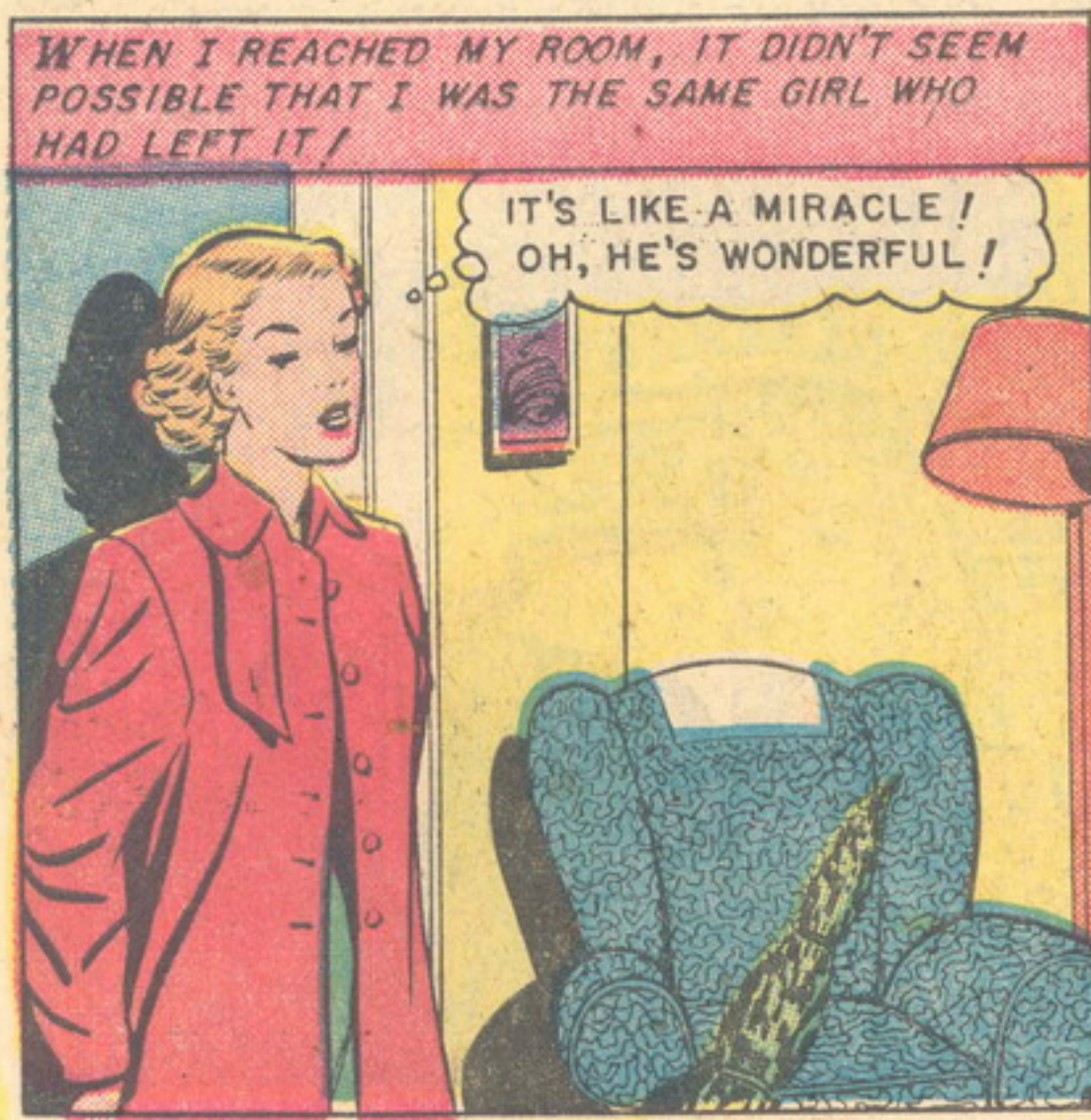
I SHOULD BE FURIOUS, BUT I'M NOT / IT'S JUST PART OF THE CHRISTMAS MAGIC !

THAT'S RIGHT, THERE IS MAGIC IN CHRISTMAS / AND TOMORROW, ADAIRE, WILL YOU HELP ME WITH SOME LAST-MINUTE SHOPPING ?



WHY, OF COURSE / THAT WILL BE FUN. GOOD-NIGHT, NORWARD !

I'LL CALL FOR YOU IN THE MORNING !

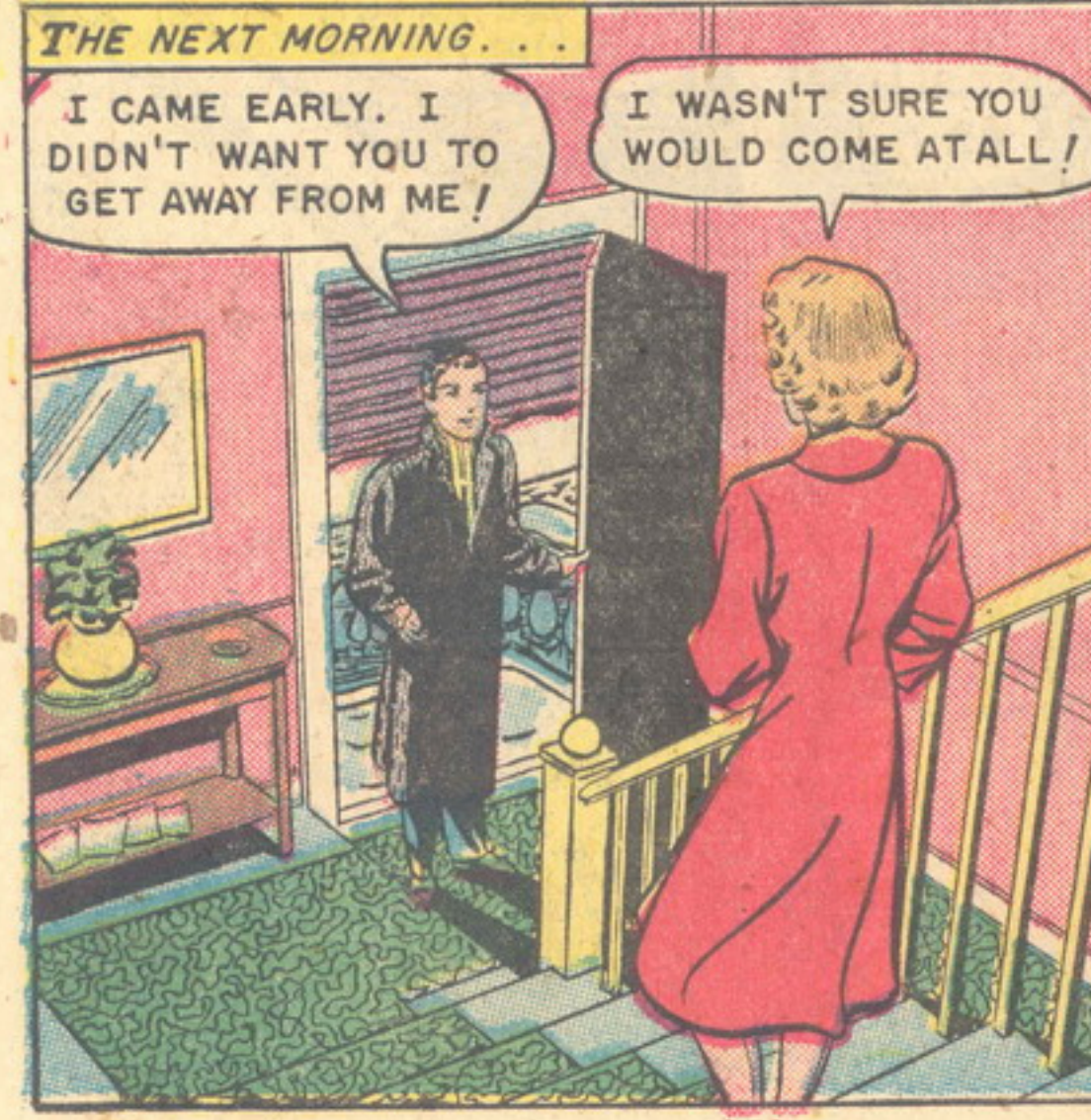


WHEN I REACHED MY ROOM, IT DIDN'T SEEM POSSIBLE THAT I WAS THE SAME GIRL WHO HAD LEFT IT !

IT'S LIKE A MIRACLE ! OH, HE'S WONDERFUL !



IF IT WASN'T CHRISTMAS-TIME, I'D BE FRIGHTENED ! PICKING UP A STRANGE MAN AND EVEN LETTING HIM KISS ME ! BUT SOMEHOW IT'S DIFFERENT ! WE WERE BOTH LONELY AND WE FOUND EACH OTHER !



THE NEXT MORNING . . .

I CAME EARLY. I DIDN'T WANT YOU TO GET AWAY FROM ME !

I WASN'T SURE YOU WOULD COME AT ALL !

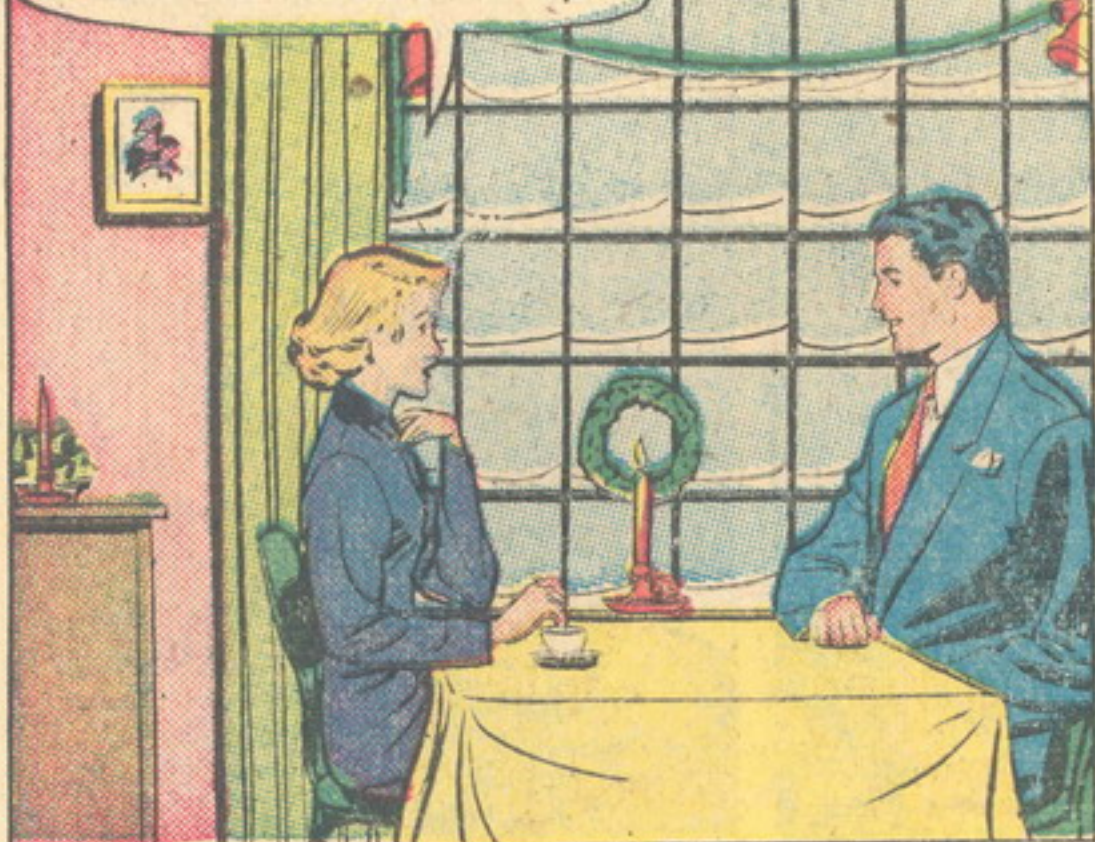


I'M GLAD YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO WORK TODAY. WE'RE GOING SHOPPING FOR MY SISTER. SHE'S JUST YOUR SIZE. DON'T BOTHER ABOUT COST--WE'RE GOING TO GET HER ALL THE THINGS A GIRL WANTS !

YOU'RE STICKING YOUR NECK OUT ! A GIRL CAN WANT A LOT OF THINGS !

SEVERAL HOURS LATER...

NORWARD, THOSE BEAUTIFUL THINGS YOU BOUGHT YOUR SISTER COST A FORTUNE, AND THIS RESTAURANT IS ONE OF THE MOST EXPENSIVE IN TOWN!



YOU MUST BE VERY WEALTHY, AND I'M BEGINNING TO WONDER ABOUT A LOT OF THINGS. WHY WERE YOU EATING IN THAT CAFETERIA LAST NIGHT WHEN YOU CAN AFFORD A PLACE LIKE THIS?

WE'LL TALK ABOUT ME LATER, ADAIRE! TELL ME MORE ABOUT YOU -- THAT LITTLE TOWN YOU CAME FROM AND ABOUT NOT BEING ABLE TO GO HOME FOR CHRISTMAS!



I SEEM TO HAVE TOLD YOU A GREAT DEAL ABOUT MYSELF-- YOU'VE ASKED SO MANY QUESTIONS. BUT I STILL KNOW NOTHING ABOUT YOU! THAT DOESN'T SEEM QUITE FAIR!

I'LL TELL YOU MORE ABOUT MYSELF LATER!



I KNOW YOU INTENDED TO TRIM YOUR LITTLE TREE, TONIGHT, BUT A FRIEND OF MINE GAVE ME TICKETS TO A CHRISTMAS RADIO AND TELEVISION SHOW. WILL YOU GO WITH ME?

WHY, THAT SOUNDS EXCITING!



CHRISTMAS EVE! THE NIGHT I HAD EXPECTED TO SPEND SO DISMALLY! I HAD A WONDERFUL DATE AND IT SEEMED THAT MY EXCITING DREAMS OF FINDING ROMANCE IN THE CITY HAD MIRACULOUSLY COME TRUE! THAT NIGHT, WHEN NORWARD CALLED FOR ME IN A LARGE, IMPRESSIVE CAR, I DETERMINED TO FIND OUT ALL ABOUT HIM BEFORE THE EVENING WAS OVER. THERE WAS TOO MUCH ABOUT HIM THAT I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND, AND WHEN YOU HAVE FALLEN IN LOVE WITH A MAN, THERE ARE THINGS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW...

HERE WE ARE, ADAIRE. RIGHT ON TIME!

I'VE NEVER BEEN TO A BROADCAST BEFORE. I DIDN'T KNOW WE HAD TO COME IN THE STAGE ENTRANCE!



GOSH, NOR, THAT TIMING WAS TOO CLOSE TO SUIT ME! WE JUST WENT ON THE AIR! SO THIS IS THE GIRL! GOOD!



JUST BE YOUR OWN SWEET,
REAL SELF, HONEY,
AND I'LL EXPLAIN
AFTERWARD!

I-I DON'T
UNDERSTAND!

YOU'RE ALL FAMILIAR WITH THE
ARE-YOU-THE-LUCKY-PERSON
PROGRAM. TONIGHT ON THIS
COAST-TO-COAST HOOK-UP WE
GIVE YOU OUR SPECIAL CHRIST-
MAS EVE PROGRAM WITH YOUR
FAMOUS YOUNG MASTER-OF-
CEREMONIES, NOR MURRAY,
AND THE GIRL HE PICKED TO
BE YOUR CHRISTMAS GUEST!

THIS GIRL, LIKE THE MANY
OTHER PEOPLE WE'VE HAD ON
THESE BROADCASTS, DID NOT
KNOW SHE HAD BEEN PICKED
FOR THIS HONOR. AND HERE
SHE IS, A GIRL WHO WOULD
HAVE SPENT A LONELY
CHRISTMAS IF NOR MURRAY
HADN'T FOUND HER!

OH, NO!

IT SEEMED LIKE A HORRIBLE NIGHTMARE. WE
HAD ALWAYS LISTENED TO THIS PROGRAM AT
HOME AND I KNEW MY FAMILY WERE PROBABLY
LISTENING TONIGHT! THAT WAS WHY NORWARD'S
NAME HAD SEEMED FAMILIAR!

HELLO, EVERYBODY! THIS IS NOR MURRAY AND
OUR BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS GIRL-- ADAIRE RADLEY,
A GIRL WHO WOULD HAVE TO SPEND CHRISTMAS
EVE ALONE, IF ARE-YOU-THE-LUCKY-PERSON
PROGRAM HADN'T SENT ME LOOKING FOR
A LONELY PERSON!

SHAME FILLED ME AS MY DREAMS CRASHED
AROUND ME. THE WHOLE THING HAD BEEN A
TRICK!

I MET ADAIRE IN A CAFETERIA.
ADAIRE HELPED ME PICK OUT CHRISTMAS GIFTS
TODAY! SHE DIDN'T KNOW THEY WOULD BE FOR
HERSELF, OR THAT SHE WOULD GET DOZENS OF
OTHER BEAUTIFUL PRESENTS FOR BEING
OUR LUCKY PERSON!

OH!

ADAIRE WAS GOING TO TRIM A LITTLE TREE
IN HER LONELY ROOM TONIGHT, BUT WE'RE GOING
TO GIVE HER THE BIGGEST TREE IN THE CITY
AND A BIG PARTY AFTER THE BROADCAST!

ALL THIS IS A COMPLETE SURPRISE TO
ADAIRE, AND WE'RE GOING TO SEE THAT SHE
HAS EVERYTHING CHRISTMAS MEANS,
INCLUDING A KISS UNDER THE MISTLETOE!

OH-- HOW
DARE YOU!

I HEARD HIS VOICE IN MY EAR
BEGGING ME TO FORGIVE HIM
AND TO BE A GOOD SPORT!

I DON'T WANT YOUR GIFTS!
YOU HAD NO RIGHT! I HATE
YOU! IT-IT'S THE CHEAPEST
TRICK I EVER HEARD OF!



ALL I COULD THINK ABOUT
WAS GETTING AWAY!

NOR, COME BACK!
THE PROGRAM!

ADAIRE!
PLEASE!



ADAIRE! I DIDN'T KNOW YOU'D
FEEL THAT WAY ABOUT IT! OF
COURSE IT HAD TO BE A
SURPRISE! THAT'S PART OF
THE PROGRAM!

YOU AND YOUR
PROGRAM!

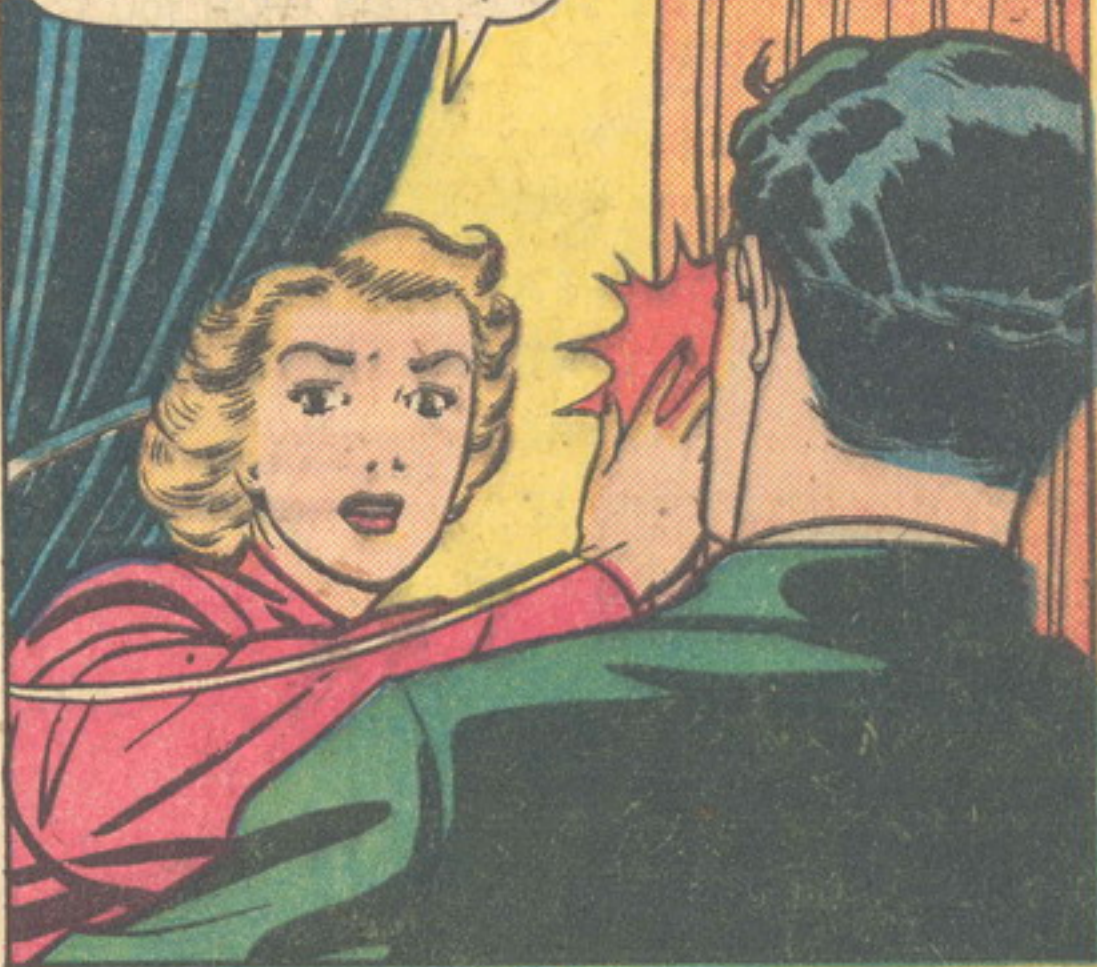


ALL THE THINGS I TOLD
YOU IN CONFIDENCE--YOU
TOLD THE WHOLE WORLD!
MY FAMILY WAS PROBABLY
LISTENING IN! THEY
DIDN'T KNOW I WAS
LONELY! THEY
WOULDN'T DREAM I
WOULD PICK UP A
MAN I DIDN'T KNOW!

ADAIRE, TONIGHT, AFTER
THE BROADCAST, I
WAS GOING TO TELL YOU
HOW MUCH MORE YOU
HAD BECOME TO ME
THAN JUST SOMEONE
I PICKED FOR THE
PROGRAM!



I WOULDN'T BELIEVE ANYTHING YOU TOLD ME--
EVER! I HATE YOU! I NEVER WANT
TO SEE YOU AGAIN!



WHEN I LEFT HOME, MY FATHER HAD SOLD ONE
OF HIS COWS AND GIVEN ME THE MONEY FOR AN
"EMERGENCY FUND". THE MONEY WAS NOT TO BE
USED EXCEPT FOR AN EMERGENCY. WHEN I GOT
BACK TO MY
BOARDING-
HOUSE THAT
TRAGIC NIGHT,
A WIRE FROM
MY FATHER
TOLD ME THEY
HAD HEARD
THE PROGRAM
AND I WAS TO
USE THE FUND
AND COME
HOME AT
ONCE . . .

I-I HATE TO FACE THEM BACK
HOME, BUT IT'S BETTER THAN
STAYING HERE!

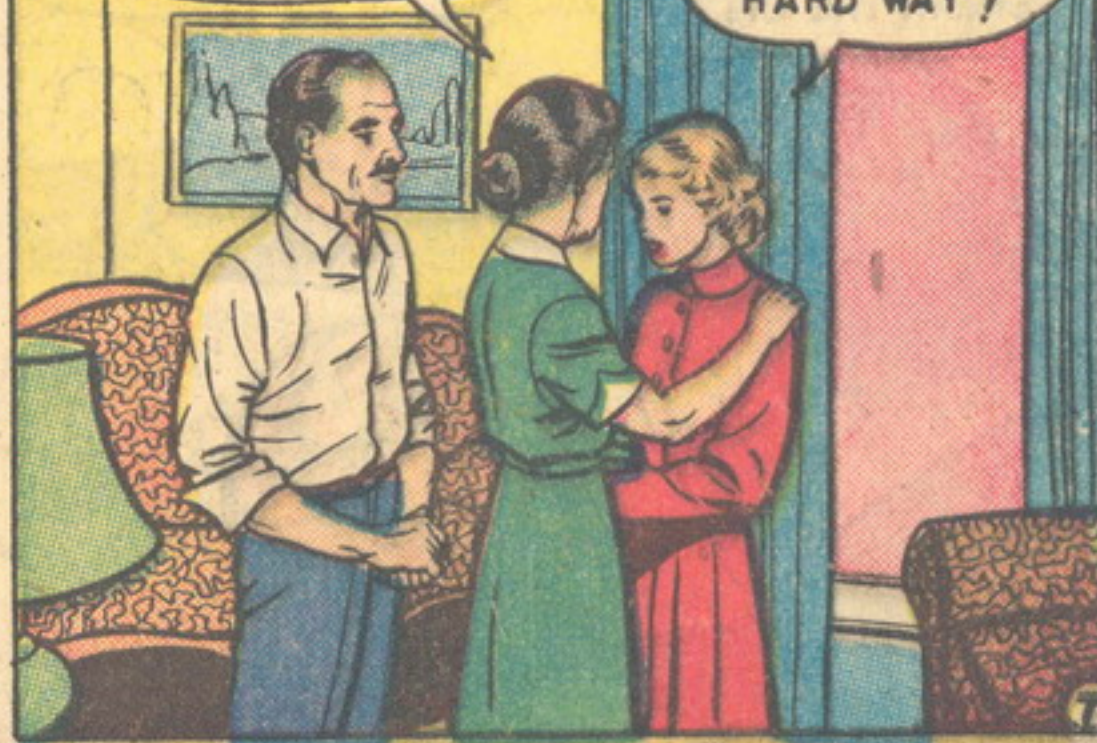
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WHEN I REACHED HOME . . .

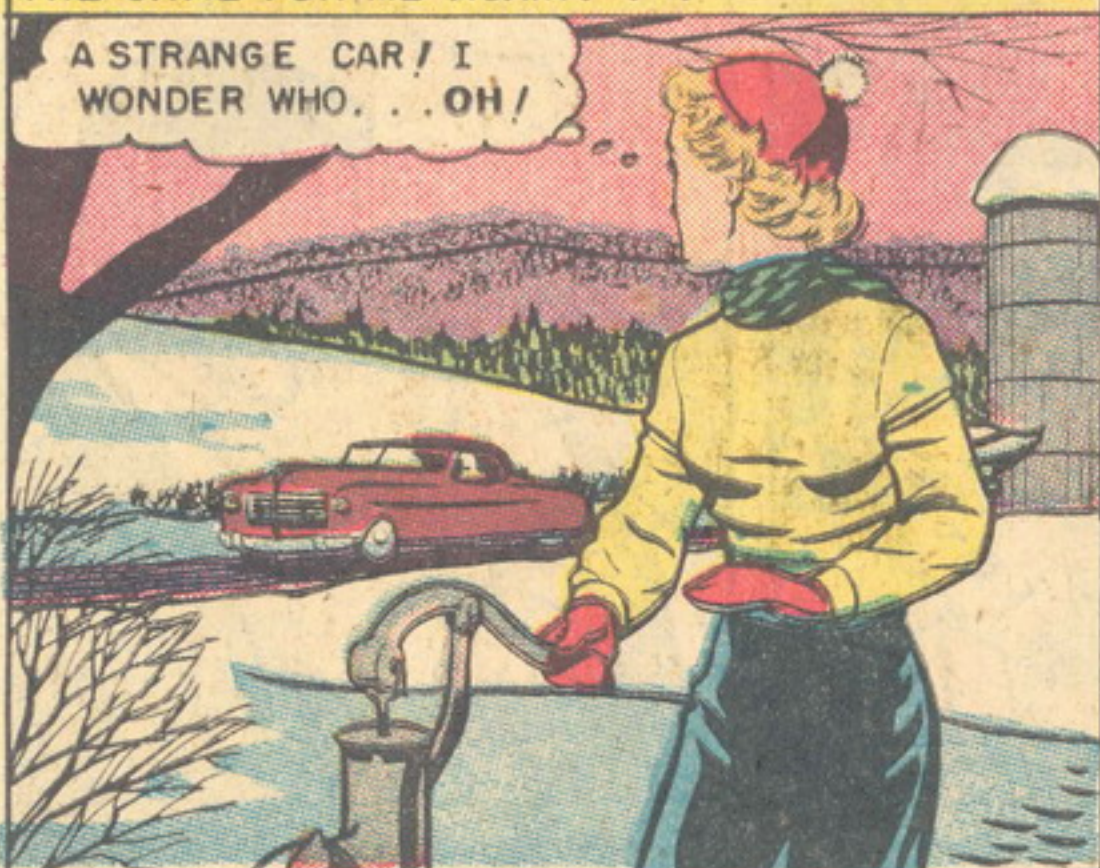
WE NEVER THOUGHT
YOU'D LIE TO US ABOUT
ANYTHING, ADAIRE, EVEN
TO KEEP US FROM WORRYING
ABOUT YOU. THAT WAS
WHAT HURT!

I'LL NEVER DO
ANYTHING LIKE THAT
AGAIN, MOM! I WAS
YOUNG AND SILLY
AND I LEARNED MY
LESSON THE
HARD WAY!



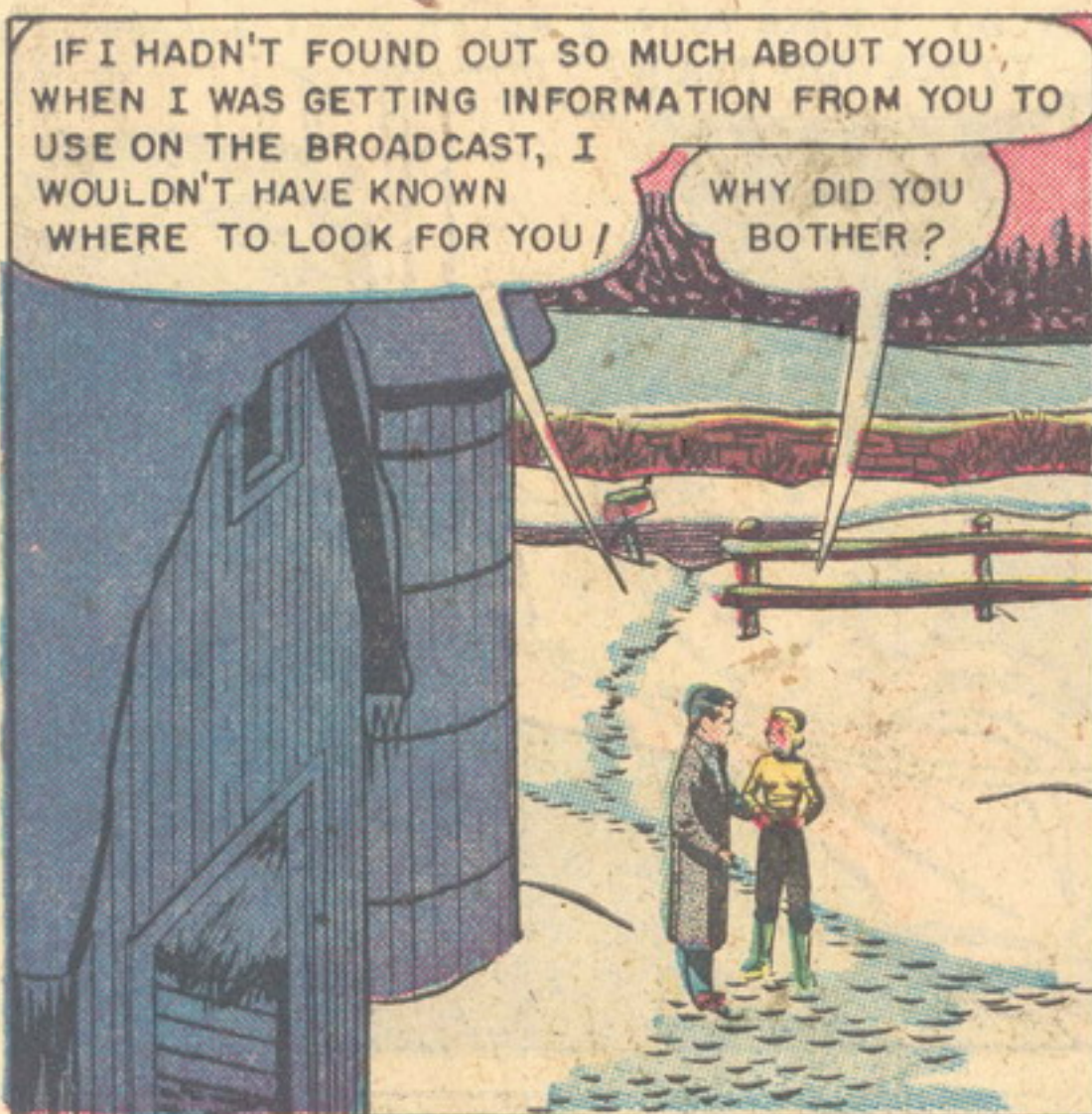
I WENT BACK TO THE TASKS I HAD DONE AROUND THE FARM BEFORE I HAD GONE TO THE CITY, BUT ALTHOUGH I TRIED NOT TO THINK ABOUT NORWARD MURRAY, I FELT THAT NOTHING WOULD EVER BE THE SAME FOR ME AGAIN. . .

A STRANGE CAR! I WONDER WHO. . . OH!



IF I HADN'T FOUND OUT SO MUCH ABOUT YOU, WHEN I WAS GETTING INFORMATION FROM YOU TO USE ON THE BROADCAST, I WOULDN'T HAVE KNOWN WHERE TO LOOK FOR YOU!

WHY DID YOU BOTHER?



WE'VE CHANGED THE PROGRAM, AND YOU CHANGED MY LIFE, DARLING! I COULDN'T FORGET YOUR SWEETNESS, YOUR GENEROSITY, YOUR ANGER, EVEN! WITHOUT YOU, I'LL BE MORE LONESOME THAN YOU EVER WERE BACK THERE IN THE CITY!

OH, NOR! I COULDN'T FORGET YOU, EITHER!



OH, WHY DID HE COME! I CAN'T FACE HIM!

ADAIRE! DON'T RUN AWAY FROM ME!



BECAUSE I FELL IN LOVE WITH YOU, ADAIRE, AND COULDN'T FORGET YOU! YOU WERE RIGHT--IT WAS A CHEAP TRICK, BUT I HAD NEVER THOUGHT OF IT IN THAT LIGHT. ALL I THOUGHT ABOUT WAS BEING CLEVER NOR MURRAY!



I CAME TO ASK YOU TO MARRY ME, ADAIRE!

I GUESS I AM THE LUCKY PERSON ON YOUR PROGRAM AFTER ALL, NOR!



THE END

Too Many Men

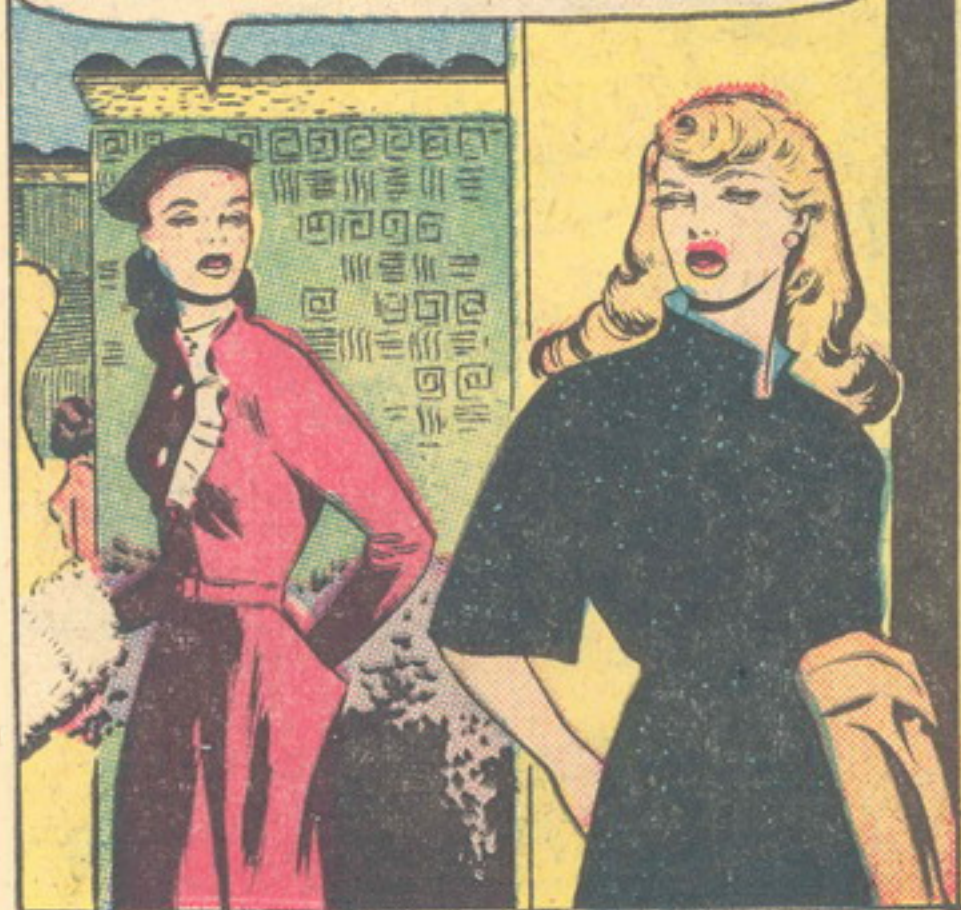
I HAD BEEN THRILLED AND FLATTERED WHEN IRENA, WHO OWNED THE GOWN SHOP WHERE I WORKED, INVITED ME TO LIVE WITH HER IN HER BEAUTIFUL PENTHOUSE APARTMENT OVER THE SHOP. I HAD COME FROM A SMALL TOWN AND HAD NEVER KNOWN ANYONE LIKE IRENA BEFORE. SHE SEEMED AS GLAMOROUS AND WONDERFUL TO ME AS A CHARACTER OUT OF A BOOK OR MOVIE. MY LOYALTY AND GRATITUDE TO HER WAS SUCH THAT I TRIED TO CLOSE MY EYES TO MANY THINGS I DIDN'T LIKE.

IF DAVE FOWLER, THAT WONDERFUL NEW MAN I MET, CALLS UP TONIGHT, AVIS, DON'T TELL HIM I'VE GONE OUT ON ANOTHER DATE! TELL HIM I'M WORKING LATE ON A NEW DESIGN AND CAN'T BE DISTURBED!

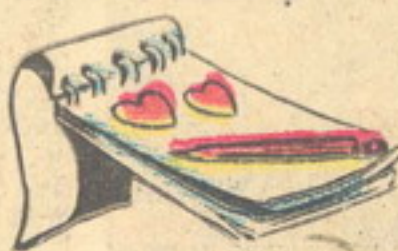
I HATE LYING, IRENA! I'D MUCH RATHER JUST SAY YOU WEREN'T IN!



DON'T BE SILLY! I HAVE MY OWN SYSTEM OF KEEPING ALL MY MEN HAPPY, AND A LITTLE FIB WON'T HURT YOU WHEN I DO SO MUCH FOR YOU!



I WAS BEGINNING TO FEEL THAT PERHAPS I DID MORE FOR IRENA THAN SHE DID FOR ME. I DID ALL THE WORK AROUND THE PENTHOUSE AND ACTED AS A SORT OF UNOFFICIAL SECRETARY FOR IRENA AND I WAS ALSO BEGINNING TO SUSPECT THAT SHE HAD PICKED ME AS A COMPANION BECAUSE I WAS CERTAINLY NO COMPETITION AS FAR AS HER DATES WERE CONCERNED!



I'VE NEVER SEEN DAVE FOWLER. FUNNY, BUT IRENA ALWAYS SENDS ME ON AN ERRAND WHEN SHE'S GOING TO SEE HIM. BUT HIS VOICE OVER THE TELEPHONE SOUNDS NICE. TOO NICE FOR IRENA TO ADD TO HER LISTS!



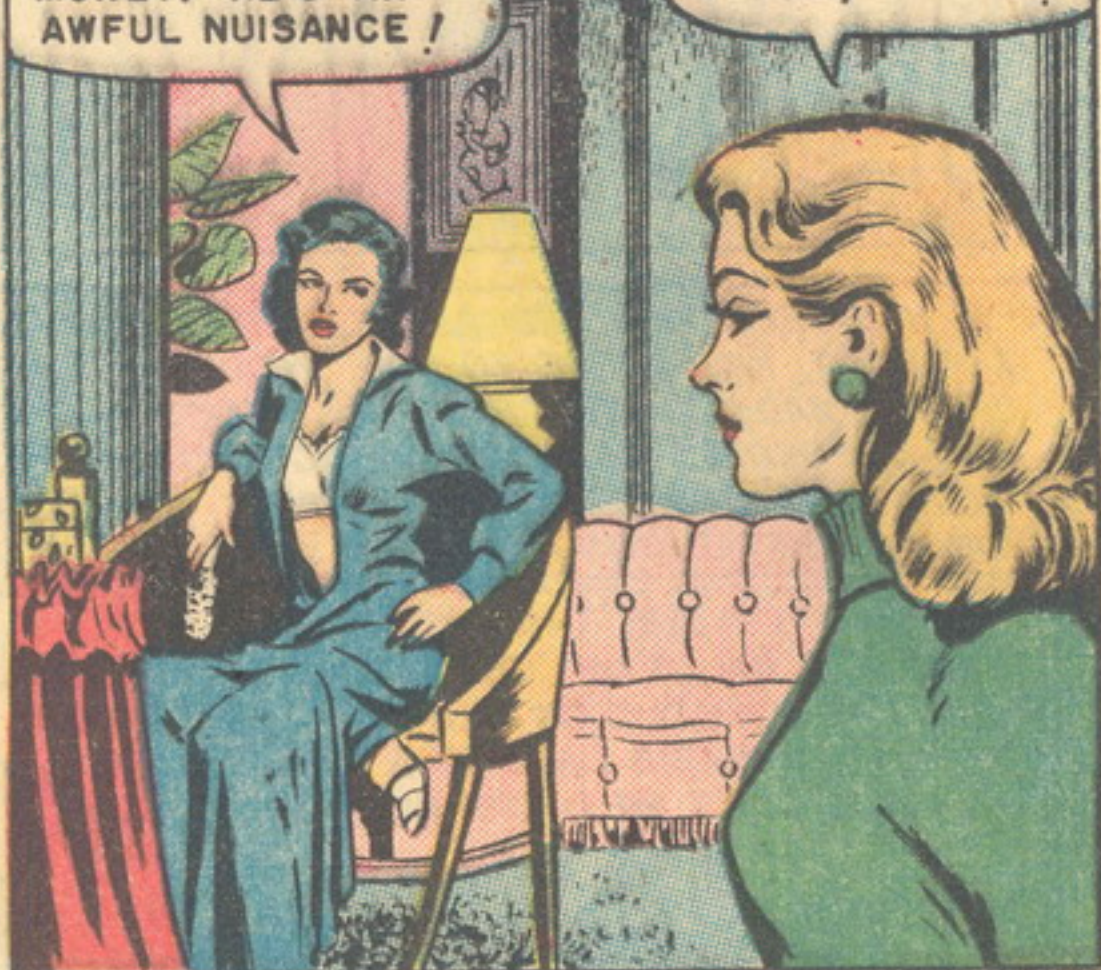
AS THE DAYS PASSED, I BECAME MORE AND MORE TROUBLED ABOUT THE PART I HAD TO PLAY IN IRENA'S HECTIC LIFE. . .

THAT MAN SAID HIS NAME WAS CHARLIE WELLS -- YOUR SECOND HUSBAND!

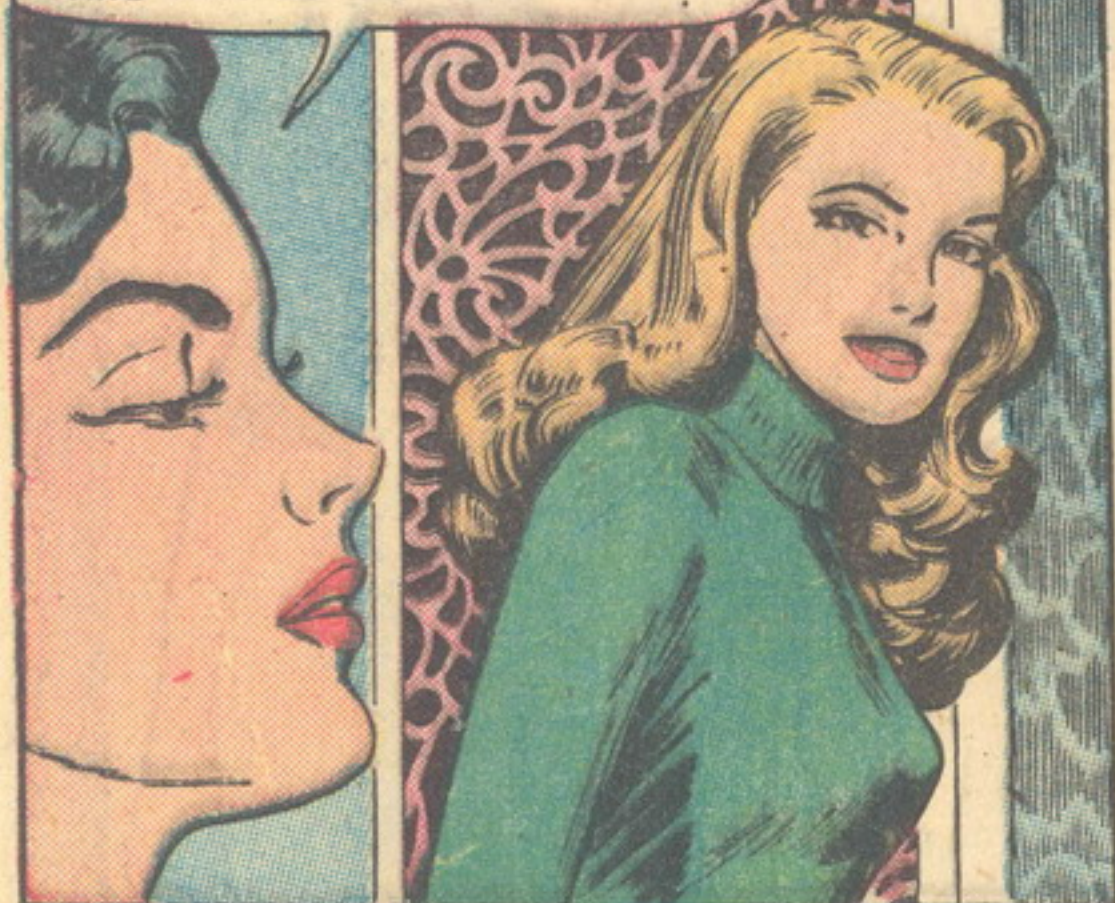


CHARLIE WELLS! I SUPPOSE HE WANTED MONEY. HE'S AN AWFUL NUISANCE!

I DIDN'T KNOW YOU'D BEEN MARRIED TWICE, IRENA!



TWICE? I'VE BEEN MARRIED THREE TIMES! DON'T LOOK SO SHOCKED. NEXT TIME WILL BE DIFFERENT! DAVE FOWLER IS WONDERFUL AND HAS LOADS OF MONEY!



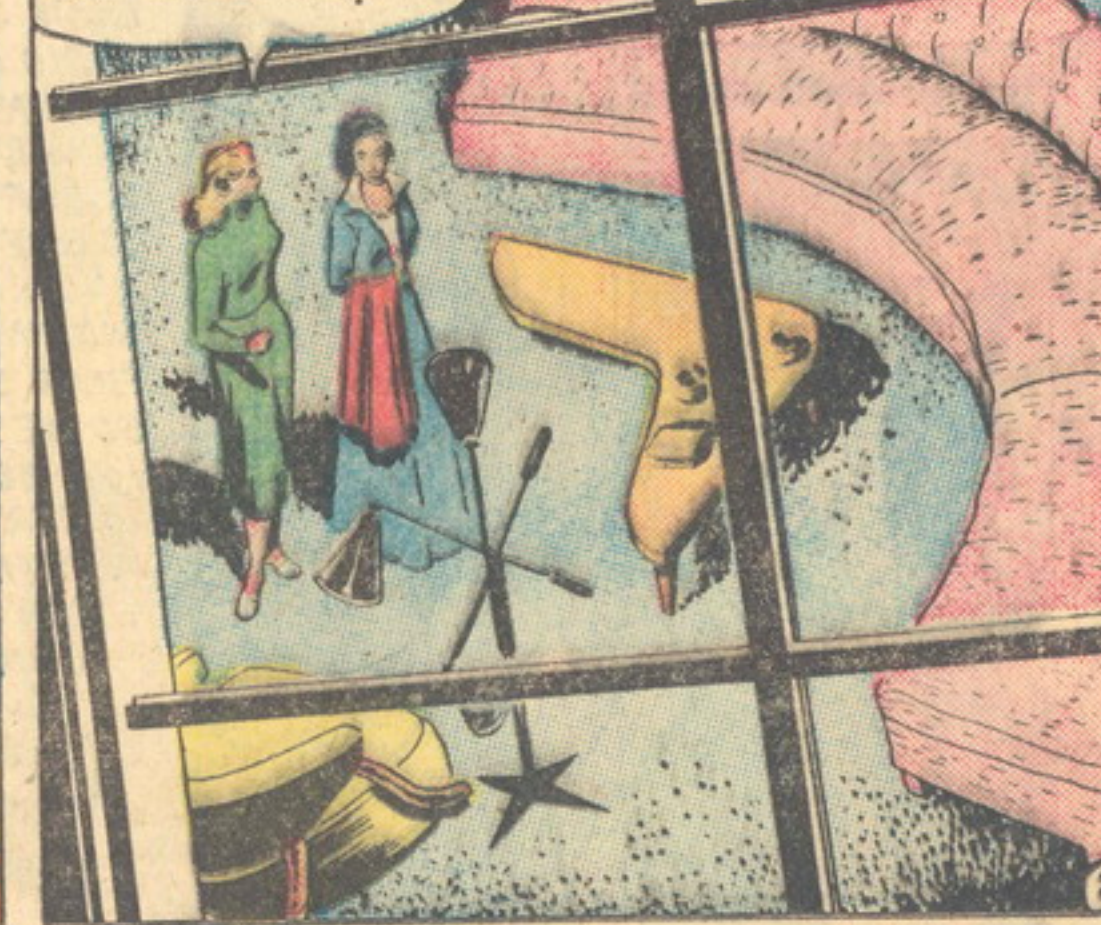
IF YOU'RE REALLY IN LOVE WITH DAVE FOWLER AND WANT TO MARRY HIM, WHY DO YOU MAKE DATES WITH OTHER MEN AND HAVE ME TELL HIM YOU'RE SICK AND CAN'T SEE HIM?



I'M NOT GOING TO PASS UP ANY GOOD DATES UNTIL I REALLY HAVE DAVE HOOKED. AND BY THE WAY, AVIS, WHEN YOU FINALLY MEET DAVE, DON'T MENTION THAT I'VE BEEN MARRIED BEFORE!



WHY, THAT'S AWFUL! YOU CAN'T MARRY A MAN WITHOUT TELLING HIM A THING LIKE THAT! HE HAS A RIGHT TO KNOW! AND HE'S BOUND TO FIND OUT SOMETIME!



I DON'T PAY YOU FOR ADVICE, AVIS / YOU'RE TOO YOUNG AND GREEN TO KNOW ANYTHING, ANYHOW. WHY, YOU CAN'T EVEN HANG ON TO THE DATES I'VE TRIED TO GET YOU !

I DON'T LIKE THE DATES YOU GET ME, IRENA !



THEY GET DRUNK AND TRY TO PAW ME, AND I'D RATHER NOT HAVE DATES LIKE THAT !

THAT'S UP TO YOU ! BUT JUST DO AS YOU'RE TOLD AND KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT IF YOU WANT TO LIVE HERE WITH ME !



I DON'T WANT TO LIVE HERE, AND I'M BEGINNING TO SEE WHY YOU INVITED ME IN THE FIRST PLACE !



YOU WANTED SOMEONE WHO WOULD DO ALL THE WORK AROUND THE PLACE AND ALL YOUR LYING FOR YOU BESIDES--SOMEONE WHO WOULD TAKE LEFT-OVER DATES, BUT WHO WASN'T GLAMOROUS ENOUGH TO BE A REAL RIVAL !



IT ISN'T WORTH LIVING IN A PENTHOUSE ! BACK WHERE I COME FROM, MARRIAGE MEANS SOMETHING, AND LYING AND TWO-TIMING ARE SINS ! I'M THROUGH !

YOU BET YOU'RE THROUGH ! PACK YOUR CLOTHES AND GET OUT -- NOW ! YOU'RE FIRED FROM THE SHOP, TOO !

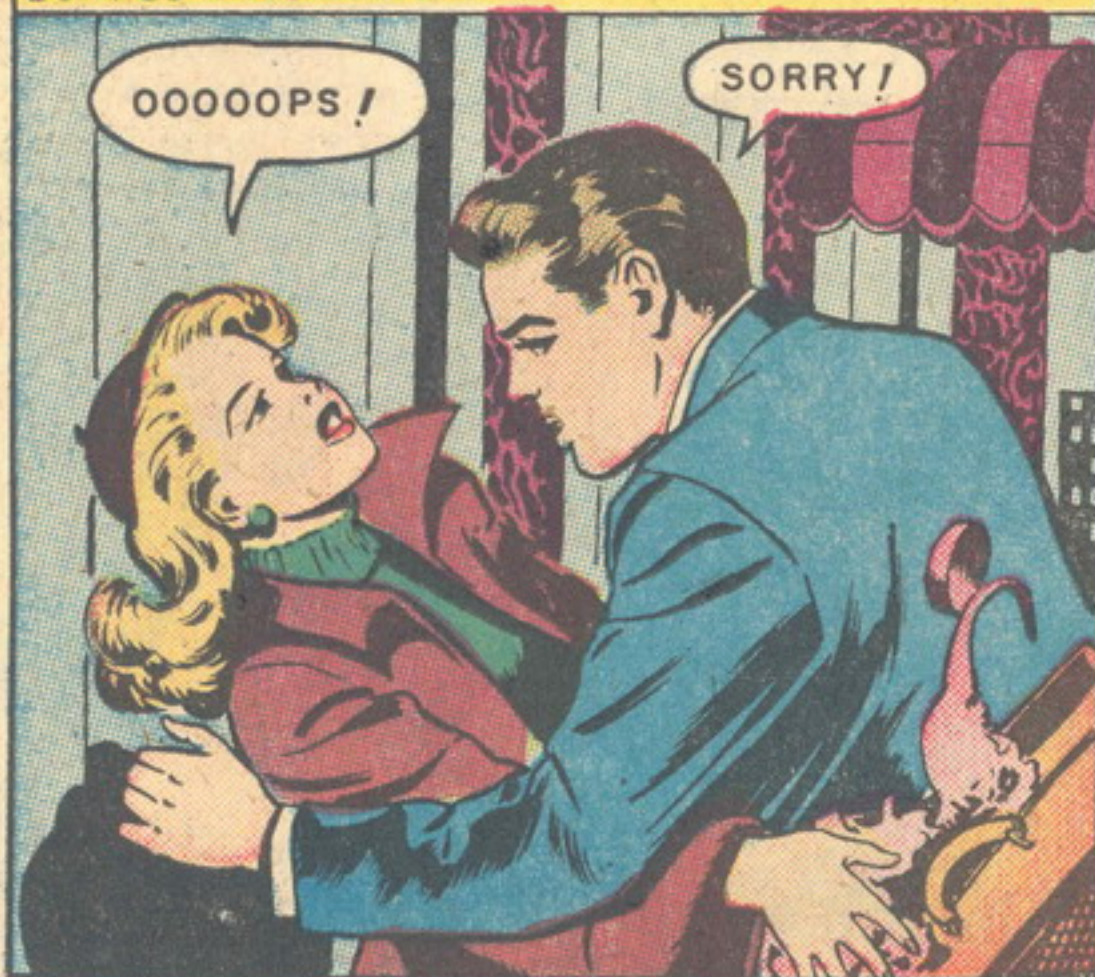


WHEN I LEFT IRENA'S THAT NIGHT, I FELT BITTER AND DISILLUSIONED . . .

I SUPPOSE I SHOULDN'T HAVE STUCK MY NECK OUT THE WAY I DID ! BUT I JUST COULDN'T BEAR TO THINK OF HER TAKING SOME NICE GUY FOR A RIDE !



MY EYES WERE FILLED WITH ANGRY, UNSHED TEARS AND I DIDN'T SEE THE MAN UNTIL I BUMPED INTO HIM. . .



OH, HE WAS WONDERFUL LOOKING, AND I FELT I HAD KNOWN HIM ALL MY LIFE. . .



WHY, YOU'RE CRYING! AND THE WAY YOU WERE RUSHING OUT OF THAT PLACE! IS THERE SOMETHING I CAN DO TO HELP? IS THERE SOMEBODY YOU WANT SOCKED?



YOU'RE IN SOME KIND OF TROUBLE! YOU'RE FRIGHTENED AND YOU'RE RUNNING AWAY FROM SOMETHING! WHY CAN'T I BE A FRIEND IN NEED? YOU CAN TRUST ME!



YOU'RE VERY KIND, BUT I WASN'T REALLY FRIGHTENED AND I WASN'T RUNNING AWAY! I JUST GOT MAD AT SOMEBODY AND TOLD THEM OFF, AND LOST A GOOD JOB AND A PLACE TO LIVE!



OH! I SUPPOSE I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT WHEN A PRETTY GIRL IS IN TROUBLE THERE'S A MAN INVOLVED!



THERE WAS A MAN INVOLVED, I SUPPOSE, BUT I DON'T EVEN KNOW HIM!

ANYHOW, THE PERSON I GOT MAD AT IS A WOMAN-- MY BOSS!



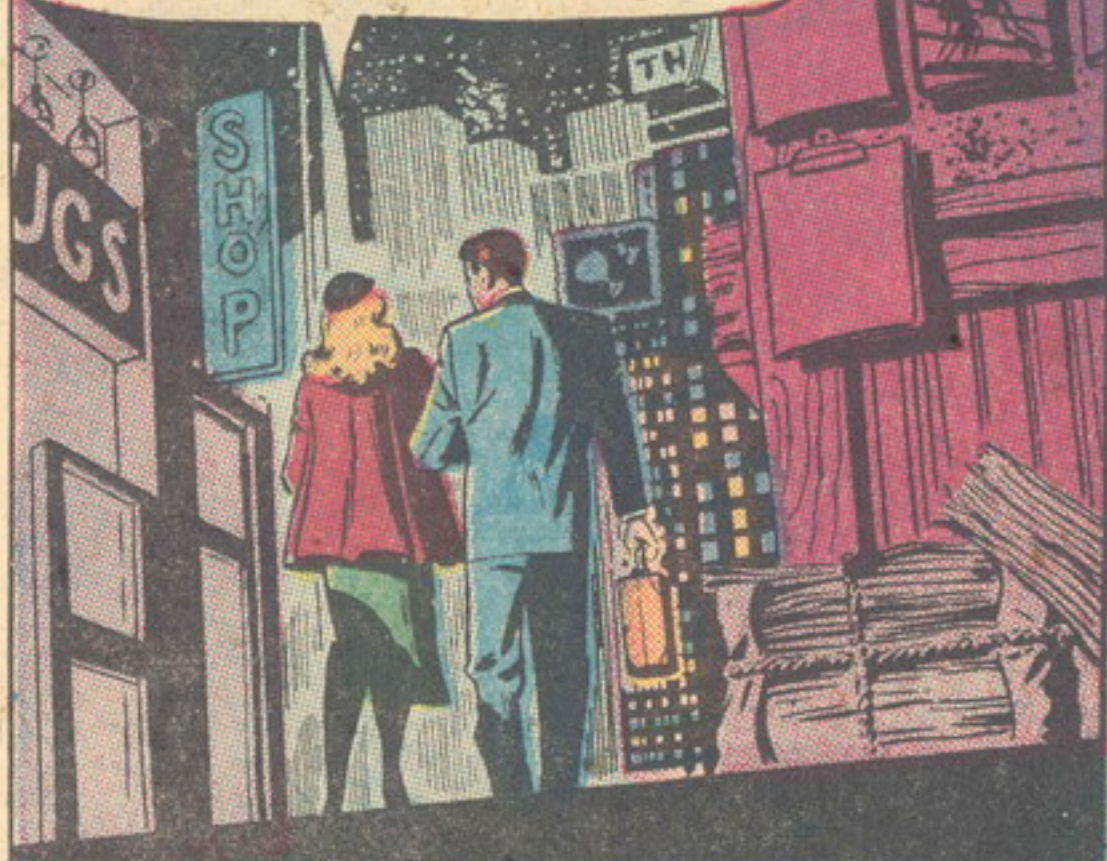
THAT'S DIFFERENT! AND FOR SOME CRAZY REASON I COULDN'T BE HAPPIER TO HEAR IT!

I'M GLAD WE BUMPED INTO EACH OTHER!
YOU'VE GOT A BIG BAG THERE! LET ME TAKE
YOU WHERE YOU'RE GOING!

WHY, THANK YOU!



YOU'RE VERY KIND, BUT I'M NOT EVEN
QUITE SURE WHERE I AM GOING! I USED TO
LIVE IN A LITTLE ROOMING HOUSE OVER ON
SEVENTH STREET AND I'M SURE THE
LANDLADY WILL TAKE ME BACK!

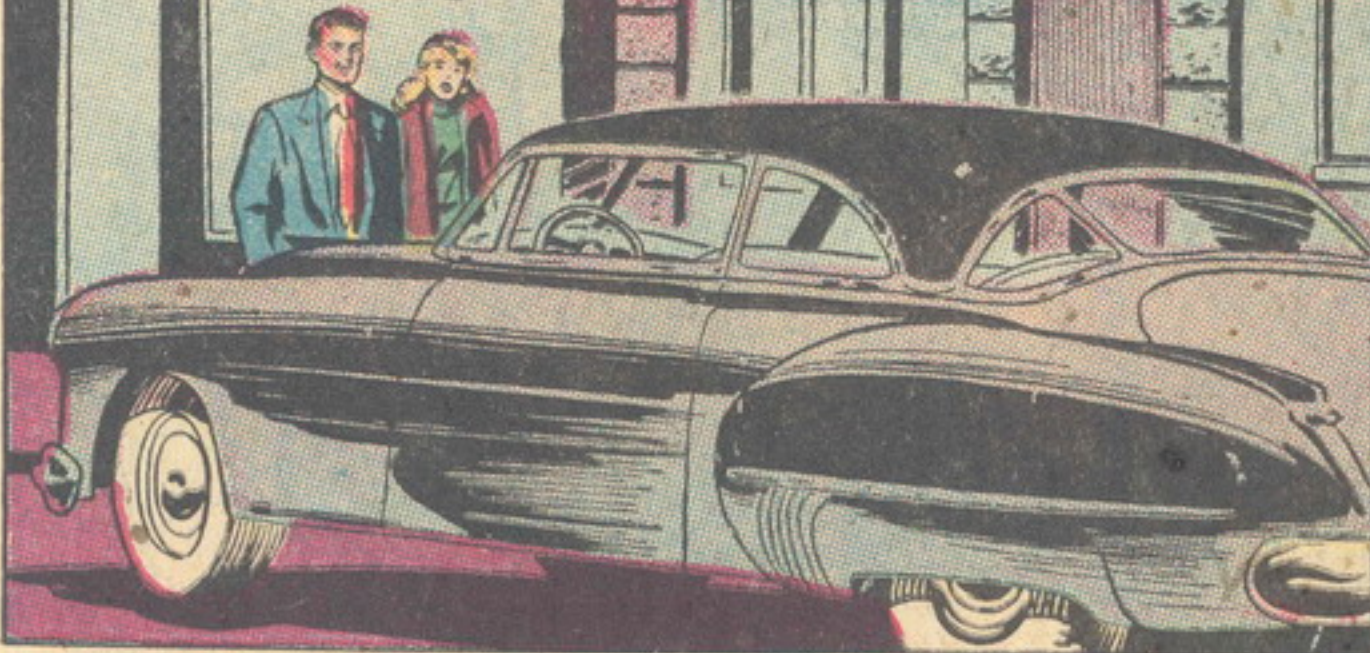


I KNEW I HAD NEVER MET THIS MAN BEFORE AND YET
THERE WAS SOMETHING SO FAMILIAR ABOUT HIM, I FELT AS
THOUGH I HAD KNOWN HIM ALWAYS. HE HAD TOLD ME THAT
I COULD TRUST HIM, AND STRANGELY ENOUGH I BELIEVED
HIM!

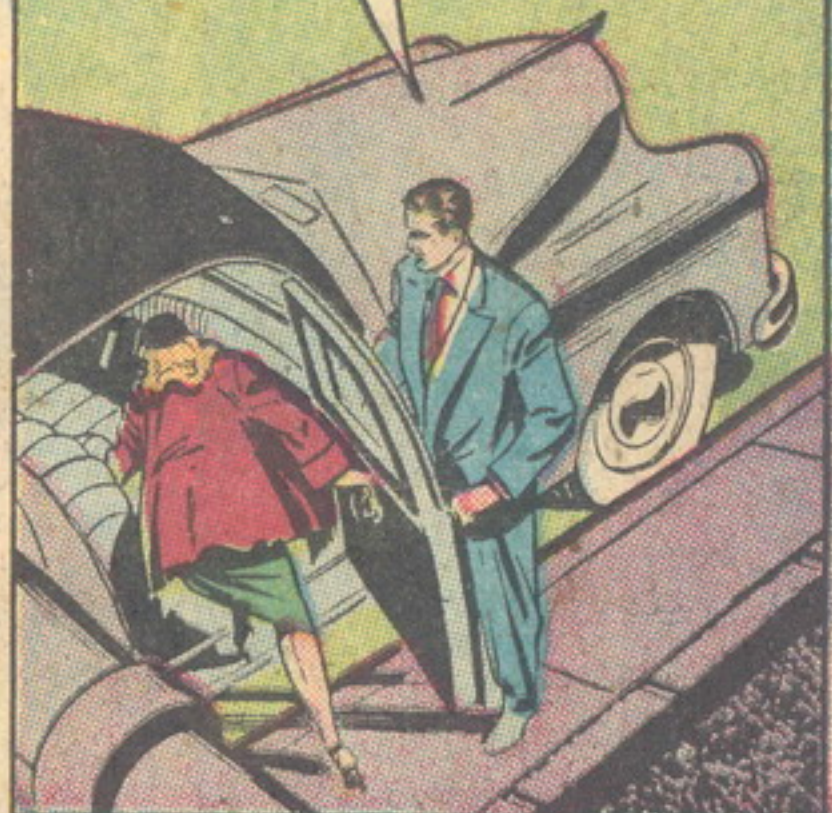
I PARKED RIGHT
HERE!

OH, BUT I MUST BE KEEPING
YOU FROM SOMETHING! YOU WERE
ON YOUR WAY SOMEPLACE WHEN
WE BUMPED INTO EACH OTHER!

BAR



NOTHING I WAS GOING TO
DO COULD POSSIBLY BE AS
INTERESTING AS MEETING
A GIRL LIKE YOU!



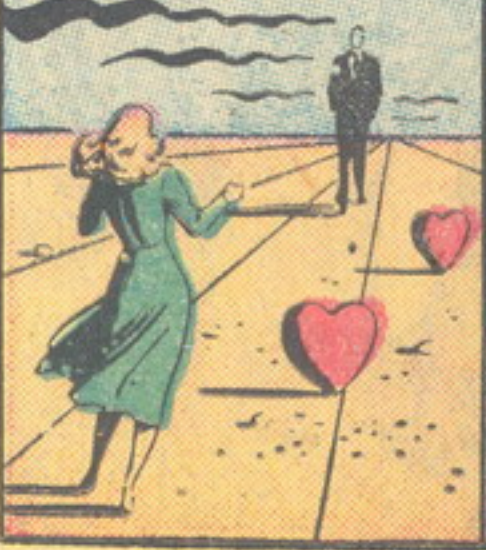
IT WAS CRAZY--
IT WAS UNBELIEVABLE,
BUT OUT OF THE
STRANGE CONFUSION
OF THE NIGHT I
FELT THAT I HAD
FOUND THE MAN I
HAD BEEN WAITING
FOR ALL MY LIFE,
AND I DIDN'T EVEN
KNOW HIS NAME!

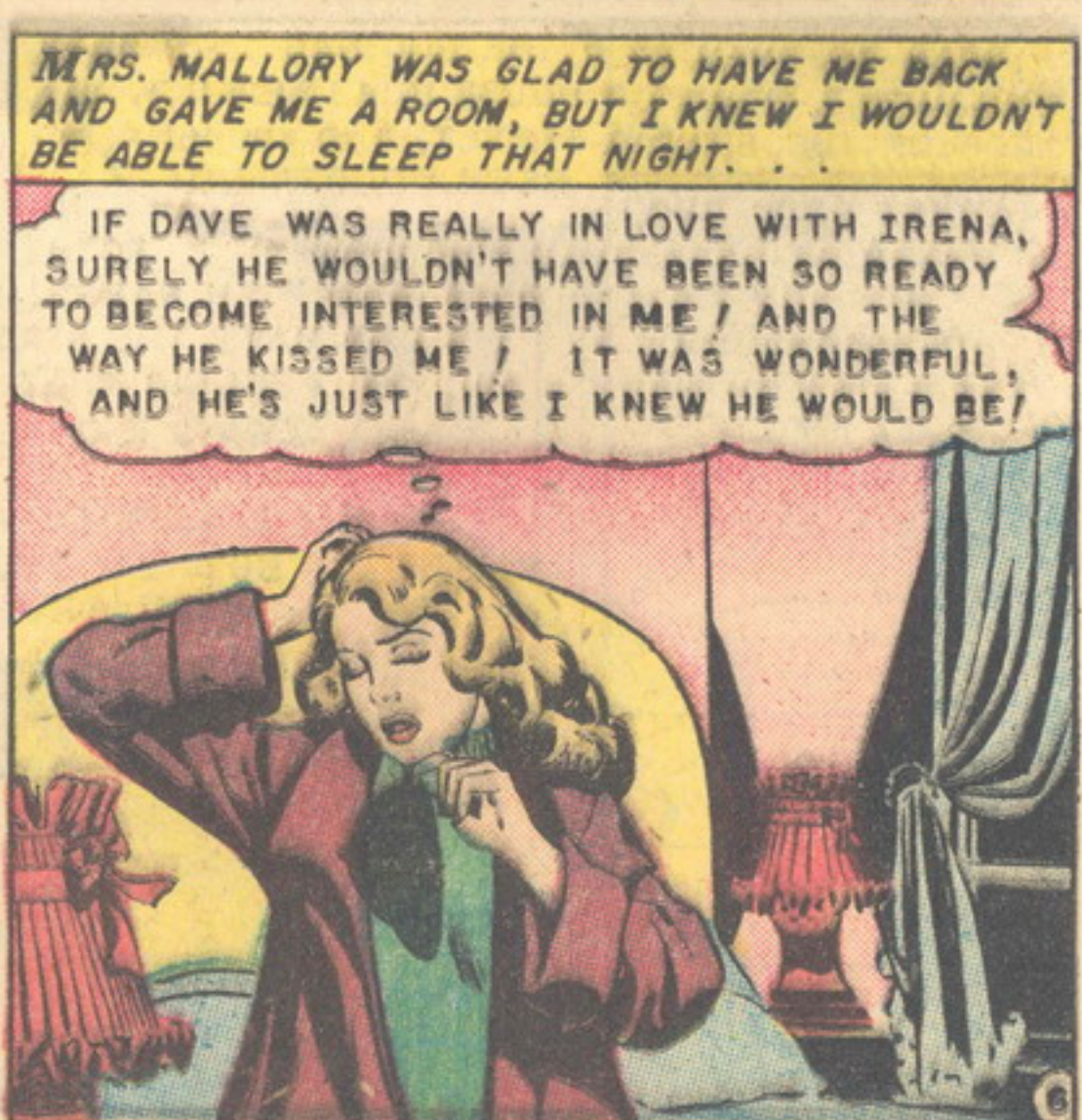
THE ROOMING
HOUSE IS 43 SEVENTH
STREET, AND YOU'VE
BEEN WONDERFUL!

WE
HAVEN'T
BOtherED
WITH NAMES, BUT I
HAVE THE STRANGEST
FEELING THAT I'VE
ALWAYS KNOWN YOU,
AND THAT I LOST YOU
FOR A LITTLE WHILE,
BUT NOW I'VE FOUND
YOU AGAIN!

WHY, THAT'S
FUNNY! I
HAD THE SAME
FEELING!

PERHAPS WE
REALLY HAVE
KNOWN EACH OTHER,
ALTHOUGH I DON'T SEE
HOW I COULD HAVE
FORGOTTEN IT! MY
NAME IS DAVE FOWLER!





NO WONDER I FELT THAT I HAD KNOWN HIM! THE WARMTH OF HIS VOICE OVER THE TELEPHONE HAD CAUGHT MY HEART BEFORE I HAD EVER SEEN HIM. BECAUSE OF HIM, I HAD DARED TO TELL IRENA WHAT I THOUGHT, EVEN THOUGH I NEVER EXPECTED TO MEET HIM. BUT I KNEW I WOULD NEVER STOOP TO TELLING HIM THE TRUTH ABOUT IRENA, EVEN THOUGH I WAS IN LOVE WITH HIM MYSELF!



I FELT THAT UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES IT WAS BETTER TO CONCEAL FROM HIM MY FORMER CONNECTION WITH IRENA.

I SHOULDN'T CONTINUE TO HAVE DATES WITH HIM WHEN I DON'T REALLY KNOW HOW HE FEELS ABOUT IRENA! HE MAY BE ONLY AMUSING HIMSELF WITH ME!



SO YOU'VE FOUND ANOTHER JOB, AVIS?

YES, A VERY NICE ONE IN A SPECIALTY SHOP!



YOU NEVER TOLD ME ABOUT YOUR OTHER JOB, AND THE LADY-BOSS YOU HAD A FIGHT WITH!

IT WASN'T IMPORTANT, AND I WANT TO FORGET IT!



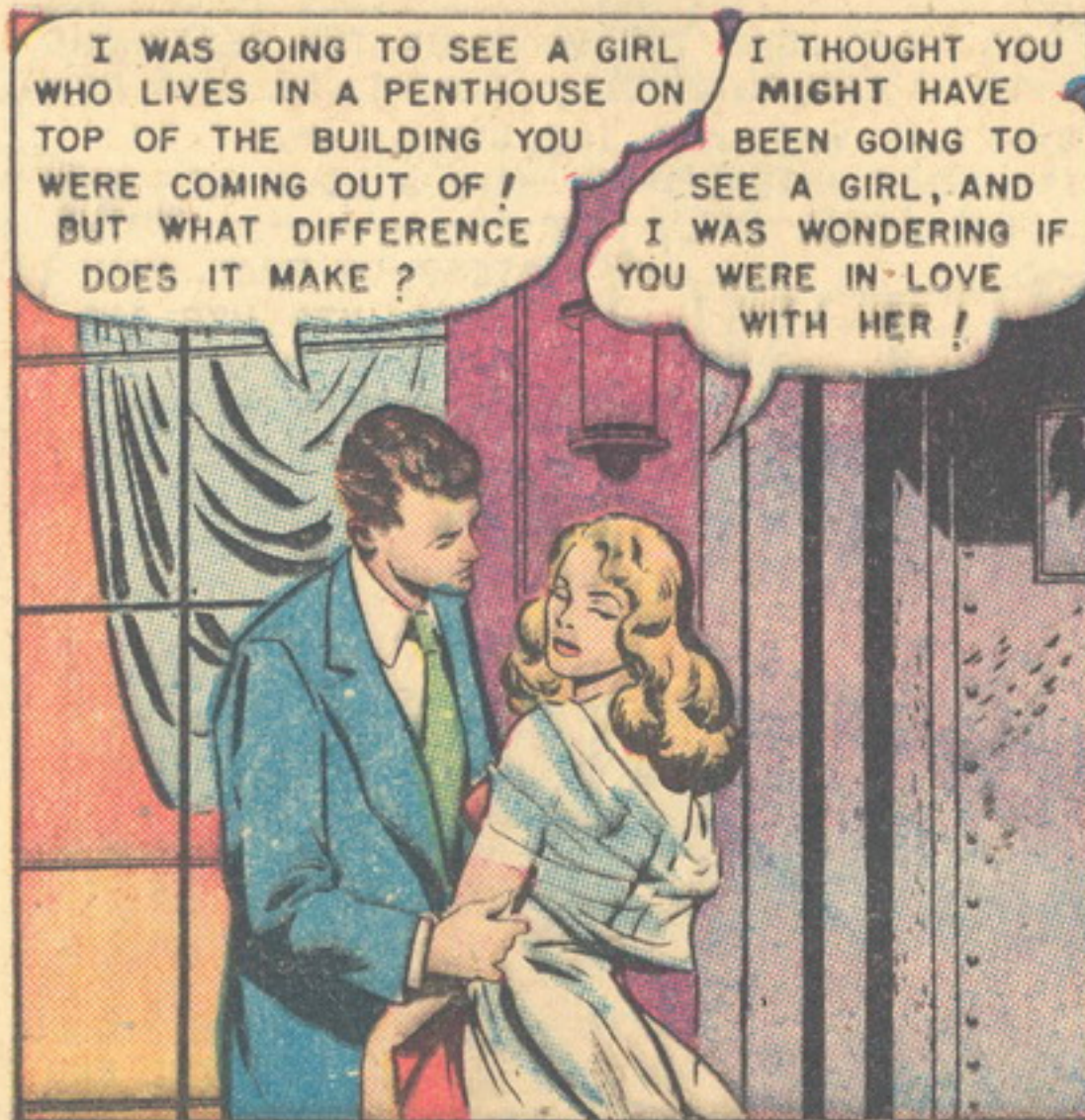
EVERYTHING ABOUT YOU IS IMPORTANT TO ME, AVIS! I WISH YOU WOULD BELIEVE THAT!

THAT NIGHT WE BUMPED INTO EACH OTHER, DAVE -- WHERE WERE YOU GOING?



I WAS GOING TO SEE A GIRL WHO LIVES IN A PENTHOUSE ON TOP OF THE BUILDING YOU WERE COMING OUT OF! BUT WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE?

I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT HAVE BEEN GOING TO SEE A GIRL, AND I WAS WONDERING IF YOU WERE IN LOVE WITH HER!



I'M GLAD IT MATTERS TO YOU, BUT YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND ABOUT THAT KIND OF GIRL, AVIS! SHE ISN'T THE KIND A MAN REALLY FALLS IN LOVE WITH!



SHE TRIED TO MAKE A MAN MORE EAGER BY KEEPING HIM DANGLING! THAT NIGHT I MET YOU, SHE'D HAD SOMEONE CALL ME UP AND TELL ME SHE WAS SICK! I DIDN'T BELIEVE HER, AND I THOUGHT I'D CALL HER BLUFF BY GOING TO HER APARTMENT TO FIND OUT!



BUT MY DAYS OF PLAYING AROUND WITH THAT KIND ARE OVER! YOU'RE SWEET AND REAL, AVIS--- THE GIRL I REALLY WANT TO MARRY!

WE'LL WAIT A LITTLE, DAVE, UNTIL WE'RE BOTH SURE WE AREN'T MAKING A MISTAKE!



BUT IN MY HEART I HAD BEEN SURE FROM THE BEGINNING THAT DAVE WAS THE ONLY MAN IN THE WORLD FOR ME AND HE FINALLY CONVINCED ME I WAS THE ONLY GIRL FOR HIM. I WAS POSITIVE NOW THAT IRENA WOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN ABLE TO TRAP HIM AS SHE HAD INTENDED AND I NEVER TOLD DAVE WHO MY FORMER LADY-BOSS WAS. IT WAS THE ONLY SECRET I EVER INTENDED KEEPING FROM THE MAN I MARRIED!

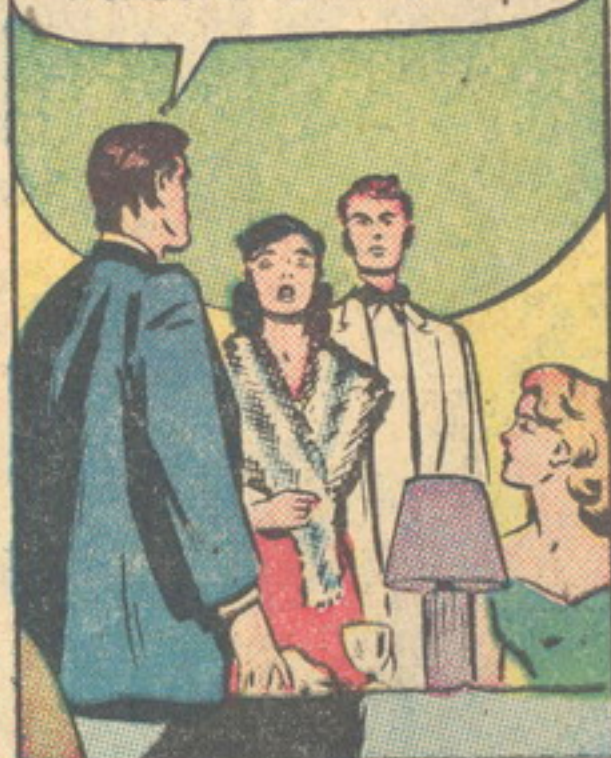


WE TOOK A LONG HONEYMOON TRIP AND WE WERE IDEALLY HAPPY. BUT THE FIRST NIGHT WE RETURNED, WE RAN INTO IRENA IN A RESTAURANT!

SO THIS IS WHY I NEVER HEARD FROM DAVE AGAIN! YOU GOT EVEN WITH ME BY RUNNING TO HIM WITH STORIES ABOUT MY THREE MARRIAGES AND MY BOY FRIENDS!



IRENA! I DIDN'T KNOW MY WIFE EVEN KNEW YOU, AND SHE NEVER TOLD ME ANY OF THE THINGS YOU'VE JUST TOLD ABOUT YOURSELF! THAT'S HOW WONDERFUL SHE IS!



LATER...

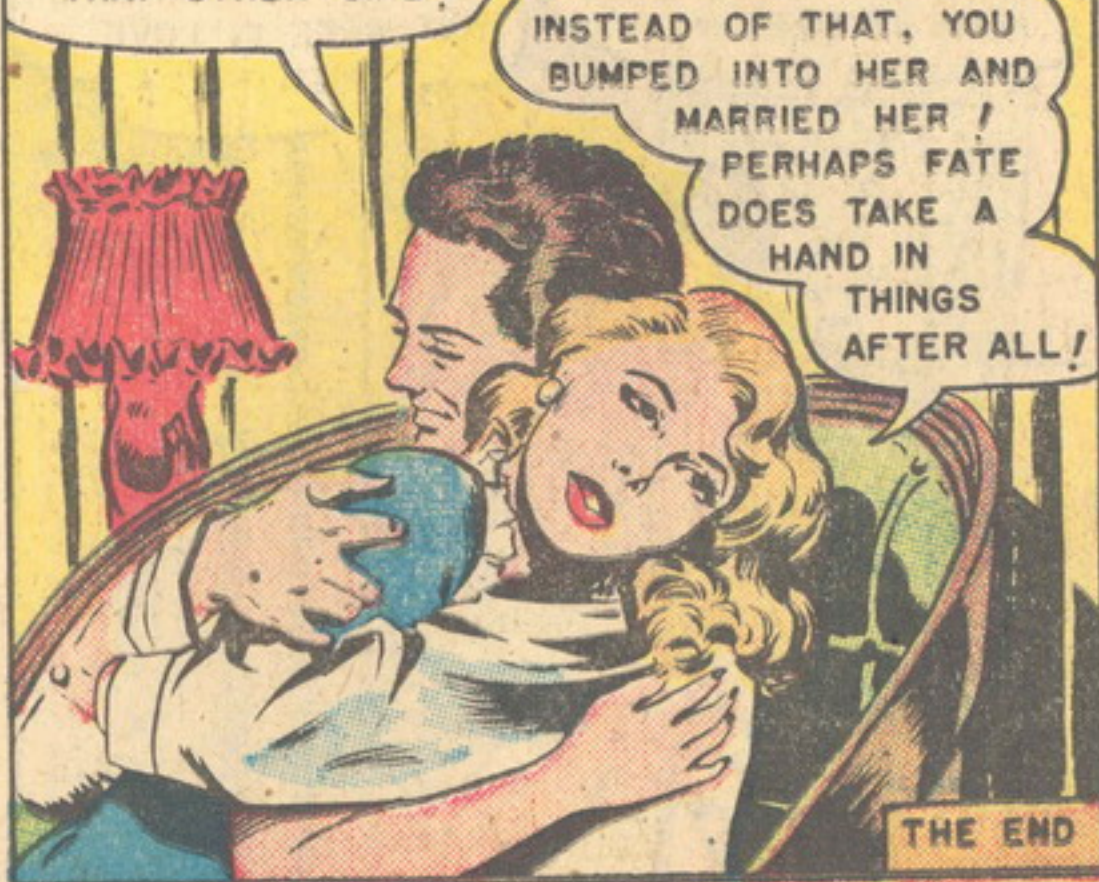
YOU ARE WONDERFUL, MY DARLING. VERY FEW GIRLS COULD HAVE KEPT FROM SPITEFULLY TELLING ALL THEY KNEW ABOUT IRENA!

IT WAS BETTER TO FORGET HER! SHE'S HAD SO MANY MEN! I ONLY WANTED ONE-- THAT I COULD KEEP!



SO YOU WERE THE VOICE ON THE TELEPHONE WHEN I CALLED IRENA! I KEPT THINKING HOW SWEET IT WAS, AND THE NIGHT I WENT TO IRENA'S, I INTENDED TO HAVE A LOOK AT THAT OTHER GIRL!

INSTEAD OF THAT, YOU BUMPED INTO HER AND MARRIED HER! PERHAPS FATE DOES TAKE A HAND IN THINGS AFTER ALL!



THE END

LADY IN A JAM

SHE WAS QUIET AND SHY AND NO ONE ON THE CAMPUS KNEW SHE WAS THE FABULOUS CREATURE THEY ALL TALKED ABOUT-- ESPECIALLY THE BOY SHE WANTED TO MARRY!

MY FATHER HAD BEEN A "STUNT MAN" WHO RISKED HIS LIFE DIVING FROM A TALL TOWER INTO A WATER TANK. MY MOTHER HATED THE LIFE WE LIVED TRAVELING AROUND WITH MY FATHER'S ACT. ALTHOUGH I HAD LEARNED TO DO WATER STUNTS, I LONGED FOR A NORMAL LIFE. WHEN MY FATHER WAS KILLED DURING HIS ACT, THE SHOCK WAS MORE THAN MY MOTHER'S HEART COULD STAND. BEFORE SHE DIED SHE MADE ME PROMISE TO TRY AND GET THROUGH COLLEGE AND TO MEET THE "RIGHT" KIND OF PEOPLE. BUT TO PAY MY WAY THROUGH THE SWANKY COLLEGE SHE HAD WANTED ME TO ATTEND, I HAD TO MAKE MONEY, AND SO I BECAME "UNDINE"!

HELLO, LANDLUBBERS! THIS IS DAVY JONES WELCOMING YOU TO HIS SEA SHELL NIGHT CLUB, THE ONLY CLUB WITH A REAL MERMAID! KEEP YOUR EYES ON UNDINE, NEPTUNE'S OWN GLAMOUR GIRL!



DAVY JONES HAD BEEN AN OLD FRIEND OF MY FATHER'S AND THIS NIGHT CLUB HE HAD OPENED IN THE COLLEGE TOWN HAD BEEN MY IDEA . . .

THE COAST IS CLEAR NOW, HONEY! BUT THERE WERE SOME MORE AGENTS DOWN FROM NEW YORK WANTING TO SIGN UP YOUR ACT. YOU COULD REALLY MAKE THE BIG TIME!



I DON'T WANT THAT KIND OF LIFE. I'VE MET THE MOST WONDERFUL BOY, JUST THE KIND MOM HOPED I'D MARRY. BUT IF HE OR HIS FAMILY DREAMED I WAS UNDINE, THEY'D BE THROUGH WITH ME!



AND THE COLLEGE IS SO PARTICULAR, UNCLE DAVY, THEY WOULD EXPEL ME IF ANYONE FOUND OUT WHO I REALLY WAS. THEY WOULD CONSIDER IT UNDIGNIFIED, AND IT WOULD GIVE THE COLLEGE THE WRONG KIND OF PUBLICITY!



WHY, THEY'VE EVEN MADE THE SEA SHELL OUT OF BOUNDS FOR THE COLLEGE STUDENTS!

THAT DOESN'T KEEP THEM FROM PILING IN HERE! I NEVER RAN A PLACE THAT WASN'T DECENT! AND WITH YOU HERE, THIS PLACE HAS BECOME A GOLD MINE!



UNCLE DAVY IS RIGHT. THE SEA SHELL IS A NICE PLACE. BUT THE COLLEGE FACULTY IS AWFULLY STRICT. THEY DIDN'T WANT ANY NIGHT CLUBS IN THE TOWN AT ALL. BUT THE PLACE HAS BEEN SUCH A SUCCESS, ALL THE PEOPLE FROM NEARBY CITIES ARE COMING!



THE SUCCESS OF "UNDINE" AND THE SEA SHELL MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR ME TO LIVE AND DRESS AND ACT LIKE ANY OF THE OTHER STUDENTS IN THE COLLEGE WHO CAME FROM WELL-TO-DO HOMES. BUT BECAUSE I WAS NOT AS SURE OF MYSELF AS THE OTHER GIRLS AND BECAUSE I WAS ALWAYS AFRAID I MIGHT MAKE A SLIP THAT MIGHT EXPOSE MY BACKGROUND, THE OTHER STUDENTS REGARDED ME AS QUIET AND RESERVED-- EVEN SHY-- THE STUDIOUS TYPE!

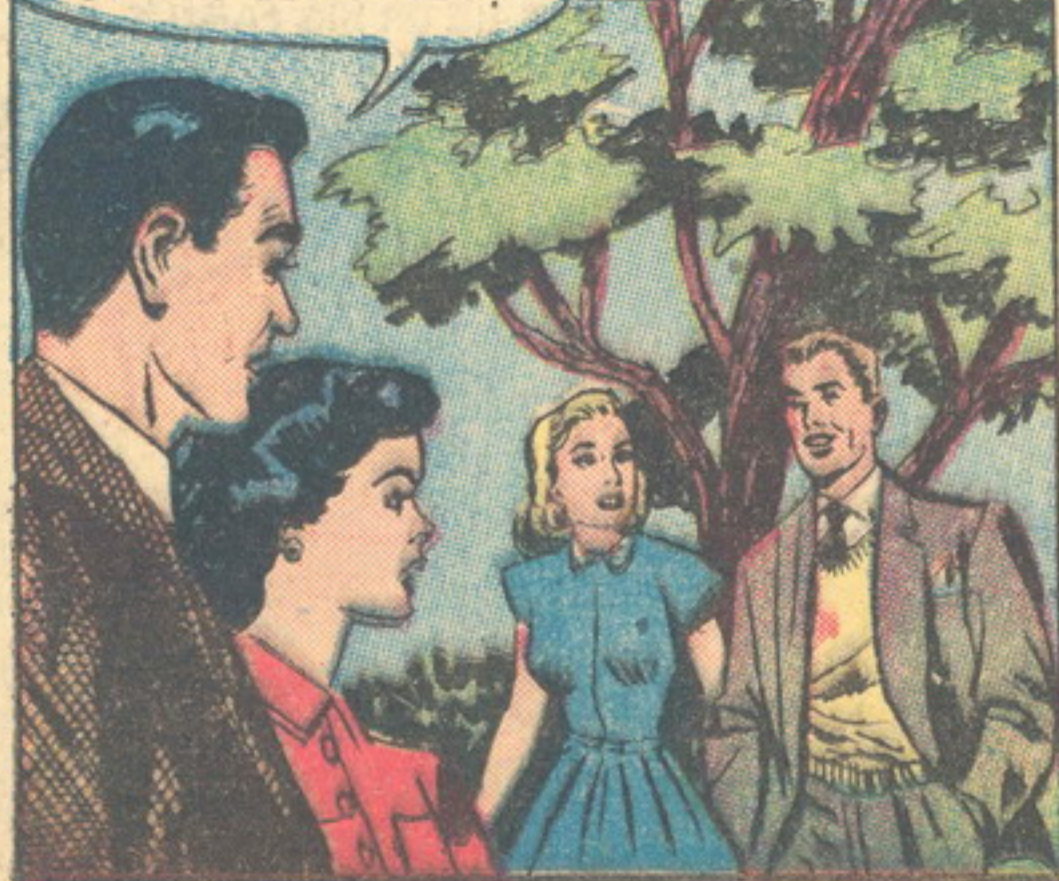
THIS RESERVED ATTITUDE WAS WHAT APPEALED TO JAY LAWTON, WHOSE FATHER WAS THE ENGLISH LITERATURE PROFESSOR, AND I WAS THRILLED WHEN JAY'S INTEREST BECAME SERIOUS...

FATHER SAYS YOU ARE ONE OF THE FEW GIRLS IN HIS CLASS WHO ACTS LIKE A LADY SHOULD, AND MOTHER WANTS YOU TO COME TO TEA SUNDAY!

OH, JAY, I'M SO HAPPY YOUR MOTHER AND DAD LIKE ME!



I'M GLAD YOU'RE NOT LIKE NINETTE SAWYER, EULA. SHE AND NOLAN MURRY ARE A GOOD PAIR. THEY'RE BOTH A COUPLE OF SPOILED SNOBS!



NINETTE WAS THE MOST POPULAR GIRL ON THE CAMPUS AND NOLAN WAS THE MOST POPULAR BOY. I HAD REALIZED FROM THE BEGINNING THAT ANYONE LIKE NOLAN WAS COMPLETELY BEYOND MY REACH, AND HOW LUCKY I WAS TO HAVE HAD JAY NOTICE ME...

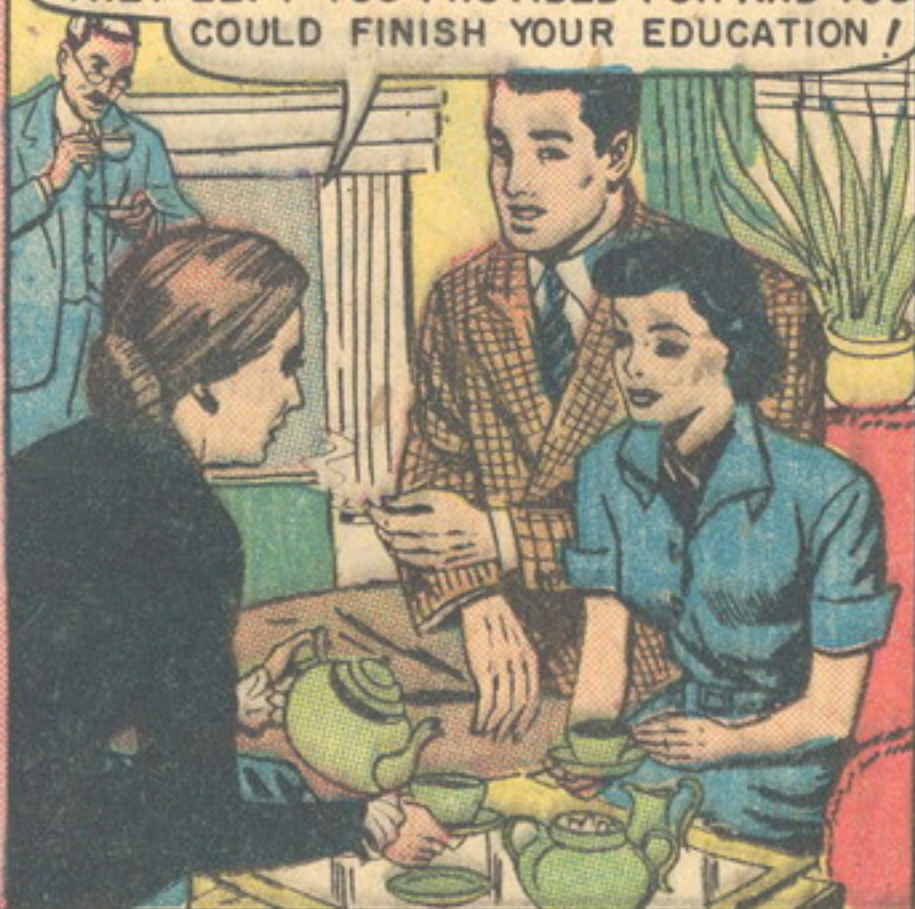
NINETTE IS OUT TO MARRY MONEY SINCE HER FAMILY WENT BROKE. SHE'LL DO ANYTHING TO GET NOLAN. HE'S WELCOME TO HER. YOU'RE MY TYPE OF GIRL!

OH, JAY! AND YOU'RE MY TYPE OF MAN!



THE NEXT SUNDAY I HAD TEA WITH JAY AND HIS MOTHER AND FATHER. I KNEW I HAD TO BE CAREFUL BECAUSE MRS. LAWTON ASKED ME SO MANY QUESTIONS . . .

SO YOUR MOTHER AND FATHER ARE BOTH DEAD? POOR CHILD! HOW LUCKY THEY LEFT YOU PROVIDED FOR AND YOU COULD FINISH YOUR EDUCATION!



FORTUNATELY I HAD A LITTLE INHERITANCE OF MY OWN, TOO. PROFESSORS ARE NOT VERY WELL PAID AND MY HUSBAND WANTED TO STUDY IN FRANCE FOR A YEAR RIGHT AFTER WE WERE MARRIED. JAY WILL PROBABLY WANT TO DO THE SAME THING BEFORE HE STARTS TO TEACH!



A PROFESSOR'S WIFE CAN BE SUCH A HELP TO HIM, AND YOU ARE EXACTLY THE KIND OF GIRL WE HOPED JAY WOULD PICK!



LATER WHEN JAY WALKED BACK TO MY BOARDINGHOUSE WITH ME...

MOTHER AND DAD ARE COMPLETELY SOLD ON YOU, EULA. MOTHER PRACTICALLY PROPOSED TO YOU FOR ME. BUT I FEEL THE SAME WAY. HOW ABOUT YOU?



IF ONLY MOTHER COULD HAVE BEEN HERE TO SEE HER DREAMS COMING TRUE! A PROFESSOR'S WIFE, LIVING MY LIFE IN THE QUIET SAFETY OF THE CAMPUS!

OH, I'M SO LUCKY! BUT I'M FRIGHTENED, TOO! IF ANYTHING SHOULD HAPPEN TO SPOIL THIS, I COULDN'T STAND IT! AND YET, I WISH I FELT MORE THRILLED ABOUT JAY'S KISS!



WE CAN BE MARRIED AS SOON AS WE GRADUATE, EULA! AND AS MOTHER SAID, I'D LIKE TO SPEND A YEAR IN FRANCE!



WE COULD MAKE THAT OUR HONEYMOON, BUT OF COURSE, I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO FINANCE IT. WOULD THE MONEY YOUR PARENTS LEFT YOU COVER THAT, EULA?

THERE WILL PROBABLY BE ENOUGH FOR THAT, JAY!



THAT NIGHT I STUDIED AND FIGURED.

I HATE NOT BEING ABLE TO TELL JAY THE TRUTH. FORTUNATELY I'M MAKING ENOUGH MONEY TO PAY MY COLLEGE EXPENSES AND STILL PUT MONEY IN THE BANK, AND I'LL TELL HIM THAT'S WHAT'S LEFT OF MY INHERITANCE. IT WILL BE WONDERFUL TO BE ABLE TO DO IT FOR HIM!



IT'S A SMALL PRICE TO PAY FOR BEING ABLE TO MARRY A MAN LIKE JAY AND HAVE THE BACKGROUND AND SECURITY HE CAN GIVE ME FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE!



AFTER MY ENGAGEMENT TO JAY BECAME KNOWN, I REALLY BECAME A PART OF THE COLLEGE LIFE. IT MADE MY CAREER AS "UNDINE" A LITTLE HARDER. SINCE MY ACT AT THE SEA SHELL WENT ON AT 11:15 EACH NIGHT, I ALWAYS HAD TO MANAGE TO LEAVE PARTIES AND DANCES IN TIME TO MAKE IT, AND TO SOMEHOW GET OUT OF MY DATES WITH JAY BEFORE THAT TIME

ONE NIGHT I WENT TO A COLLEGE DANCE WITH JAY.

DAD IS AT A FACULTY MEETING TONIGHT. THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT MAKING ANOTHER TRY TO PUT THE SEA SHELL OUT OF BUSINESS!



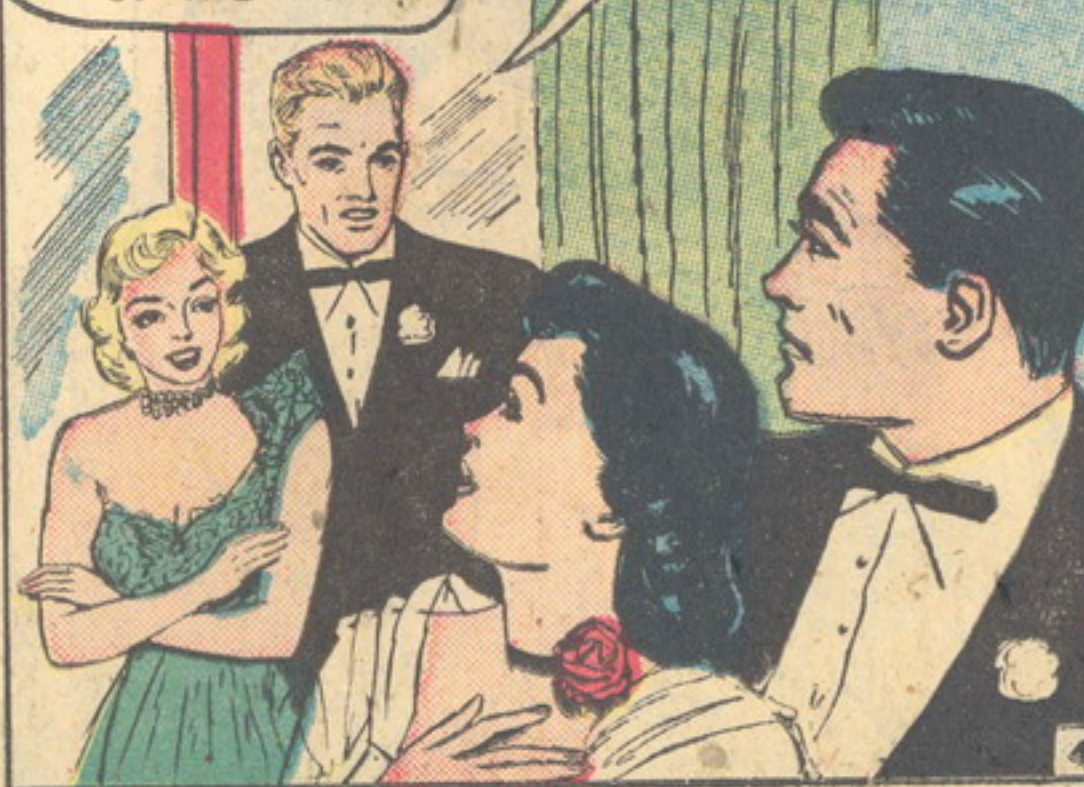
OH! BUT WHY, JAY! I-I'VE HEARD IT ISN'T REALLY A BAD PLACE!



YOU WOULDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT A PLACE LIKE THAT, EULA! A GIRL APPEARS THERE WITH HARDLY ANY CLOTHES ON-- SHE'S SUPPOSED TO BE A MERMAID! AND THE FELLOWS SIT AROUND THERE AND DRINK AND WATCH HER!



I THINK THE FACULTY IS WRONG ON THAT, JAY, AND SO ARE YOU! UNDINE IS A GORGEOUS CREATURE AND PUTS ON A CLEVER ACT. I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHO SHE REALLY IS, BUT SHE WON'T LET ANYONE SEE HER OUT OF THE TANK!



THE SEA SHELL IS A PERFECTLY RESPECTABLE PLACE! A LOT OF THE JUKE BOX PLACES THE COLLEGE TOLERATES ARE WORSE!

I'M TIRED OF HEARING YOU RAVE ABOUT UNDINE!



ALL I'VE GOT TO SAY, NOLAN--IF YOU'RE EVER THERE WHEN THEY RAID THE PLACE AND YOU GET CAUGHT, YOU'LL BE EXPELLED!



WHY SHOULD THEY RAID A PLACE LIKE THE SEA SHELL, JAY? NO ONE IS DOING ANYTHING WRONG THERE!

IF THEY RAID IT, IT MAY SCARE THEM INTO CLOSING! CAN YOU IMAGINE NOLAN MURRY RAVING ABOUT SOME NIGHT CLUB GIRL WHEN HE'S GOT A GIRL LIKE NINETTE?



LATER, AT THE SEA SHELL...

IF THEY CLOSE THE SEA SHELL, I WON'T BE ABLE TO FINISH COLLEGE, AND IF I STOP EARNING MONEY, I WON'T HAVE ANY "INHERITANCE" TO HELP JAY AFTER WE'RE MARRIED!

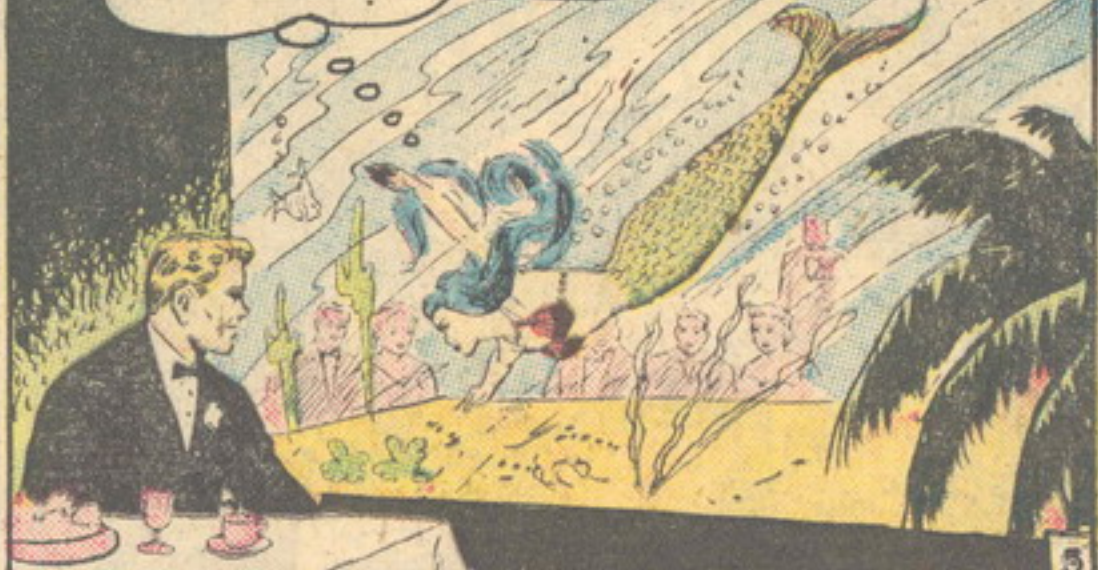


I THOUGHT JAY DIDN'T APPROVE OF NINETTE-- BUT TONIGHT IT SOUNDED ALMOST AS THOUGH HE WERE JEALOUS OF NOLAN! I WONDER IF JAY TRIED TO MAKE TIME WITH NINETTE BEFORE HE MET ME AND SHE TURNED HIM DOWN FOR NOLAN?



I USUALLY TRIED NOT TO LOOK OUT AT THE AUDIENCE. I KNEW THERE WERE ALWAYS PEOPLE FROM THE COLLEGE AND IT WAS EASIER TO BE IMPERSONAL WHEN I DIDN'T SEE THEM, BUT TONIGHT I WAS AWARE OF NOLAN AT A FRONT TABLE...

NINETTE ISN'T WITH HIM! PERHAPS THEY QUARRELED BECAUSE HE WANTED TO COME HERE. IT'S A LITTLE THRILLING TO THINK SOMEONE LIKE NOLAN THINKS UNDINE IS GORGEOUS!



SUDDENLY THERE WAS A COMMOTION OUTSIDE, AND THE TOWN POLICE ENTERED!

EVERYBODY
STAY WHERE
YOU ARE!

OH! UNCLE DAVY TOLD ME
TONIGHT THIS WOULDN'T HAPPEN!
WHAT SHALL I DO!



FRANTICALLY I WENT THROUGH THE
LITTLE TRAP DOOR IN THE BOTTOM OF
MY TANK, BUT WHEN I REACHED THE HALL
I FOUND THE ZIPPER ON THE PART OF MY
COSTUME THAT FREED MY FEET WAS
CAUGHT, AND UNCLE DAVY WAS BEING
HELD BY THE POLICE AND COULDN'T HELP
ME...

I SHOULD HAVE
KNOWN I COULDN'T
KEEP UP THIS
PRETENSE!



HERE! DON'T BOTHER
WITH THAT THING NOW! I'LL
CARRY YOU OUT!

OH!



AS NOLAN MURRY PICKED ME UP,
I WAS TERRIFIED, ASHAMED AND
THRILLED!

I KNEW THE WAY
BACK HERE BECAUSE I'VE BEEN
TRYING TO GET A CHANCE TO MEET
YOU FOR MONTHS, BUT EACH TIME
DAVY JONES WOULD CATCH ME AND
CHASE ME AWAY, JUST AS HE DID
EVERYONE ELSE WHO TRIED
TO MEET YOU!



MAYBE I CAN
HELP YOU GET
AWAY! OH OH! I
SHOULD HAVE
KNOWN THEY'D
COME IN THIS
WAY, TOO!

NOT SO
FAST THERE,
YOUNG MAN!
THAT'S THE
GIRL WE
WANT!



THEY PUT US BOTH IN A PATROL WAGON...

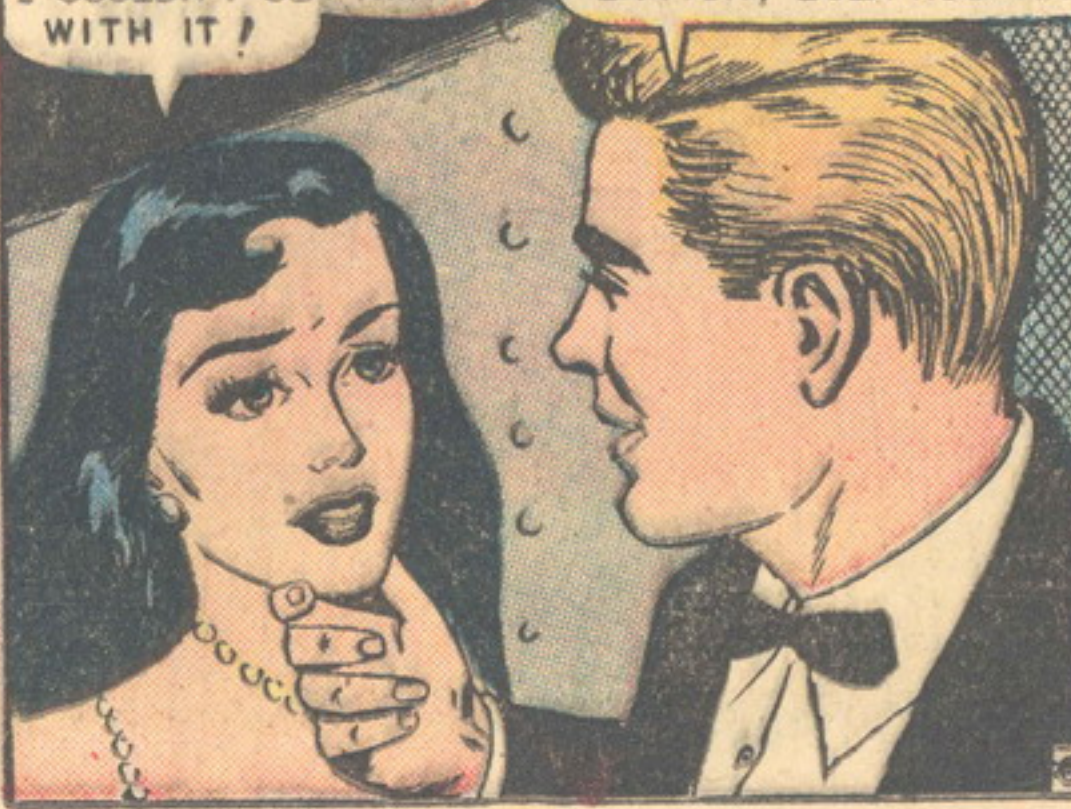
YOU HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING WRONG, AND I
KNOW DAVY JONES CAN FIGHT THE WHOLE THING.
YOUR ACT IS WONDERFUL! AND YOU'RE THE MOST
BEAUTIFUL THING I'VE EVER SEEN. I'LL CALL
MY FATHER'S LAWYER AND HE'LL HELP!



SUDDENLY NOLAN MADE ME LOOK AT HIM...

OH, I'VE MADE SUCH A
MESS OF EVERYTHING!
I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN
I COULDN'T GET AWAY
WITH IT!

WHY, I KNOW YOU!
YOU'RE THE GIRL WHO
IS ENGAGED TO JAY
LAWTON! EULA HOLMAN.



YES, EULA HOLMAN!
YOU SEE YOU WERE
JUST WASTING
YOUR TIME
THINKING I
WAS GORGEOUS
AND GLAMOROUS!

YOU ARE GORGEOUS
AND TALENTED! AND
THE FACT THAT YOU
CAN BE QUIET AND
STUDIOUS MAKES YOU
EVEN MORE INTERESTING.

IT WAS A DREADFUL
ORDEAL AND ONLY
NOLAN'S PRESENCE
MADE IT ENDURABLE!
BUT INFLUENTIAL PEOP-
LE FROM THE TOWN
CAME TO OUR ASSIST-
ANCE AND PROVED THE
SEA SHELL WAS A
REPUTABLE PLACE
THAT WAS AN ASSET
TO THE TOWN INSTEAD
OF A LIABILITY. SO
ALTHOUGH UNCLE
DAVY WON HIS CASE
AND WOULD REMAIN
OPEN, MY IDENTITY
WAS DISCLOSED AND
I KNEW MY COLLEGE
CAREER WAS OVER--
AND SO WAS MY
ENGAGEMENT TO JAY!

THE NEXT DAY...

IT WAS NICE OF
YOU TO COME,
NOLAN, AND I
WANT TO THANK
YOU FOR ALL
YOU DID FOR ME.
I'M SORRY YOU
WERE INVOLVED,
TOO!

I LIKE A GOOD
FIGHT, EULA!
THE COLLEGE
DIDN'T EVEN
EXPEL ME,
BECAUSE THEY
LIKE MY FATHER'S
MONEY. SO I
QUIT INSTEAD!

WELL, THEY EXPELLED ME AND
JAY AND HIS FAMILY TOLD ME
WHAT THEY THOUGHT OF ME!
I GUESS MY DREAM OF
BEING SAFE AND SECURE
AND HAVING A LOVELY,
QUIET, REFINED LIFE
IS ALL OVER!

YOU'RE LUCKY
TO HAVE JAY OUT
OF YOUR HAIR.
WERE YOU REALLY
IN LOVE WITH
HIM, EULA?

NO--I REALIZE NOW
THAT I WASN'T! HE
SEEMED TO OFFER
ALL THE THINGS
MY MOTHER
WANTED ME TO
HAVE, AND I
WAS FLATTERED
THAT HE
WANTED ME!

JAY WAS CRAZY ABOUT
NINETTE, BUT SHE COULD
NOT SEE HIM. THEN WHEN
HER FOLKS LOST THEIR MONEY,
HE STOPPED CHASING HER.
EVERYBODY ON THE CAMPUS
KNEW ABOUT THE LAWTONS'
AMBITIONS! YOU SEEMED LIKE
A GOOD BET TO THEM!

EULA, YOU'RE THE MOST FASCINATING GIRL I'VE
EVER MET. I FELL IN LOVE WITH
YOU AS UNDINE, AND NOW I'M
IN LOVE WITH YOU AS
YOU ARE!

BUT NINETTE?
AND WHAT WOULD
YOUR FAMILY
THINK?

NINETTE WAS JUST A
DATE-GIRL. SHE KNEW I
WASN'T SERIOUS ABOUT HER,
BUT SHE ALWAYS HOPED TO
GET HER HANDS ON THE
MURRY MONEY. AS FOR
MY FAMILY, UNLIKE
THE LAWTONS, THEY
WANT ME TO PICK MY
OWN WIFE AND BE
HAPPY!

OH, NOLAN, THIS IS
THE WAY I WANTED TO
FEEL ABOUT JAY, BUT
COULDN'T! I LOVE
YOU,
DARLING!

THE END

GLAMORIZING YOURSELF

HOW NOT TO LOSE HIM

You love him and he loves you, and it should last forever. It will—if, in addition to love, you share interests in common. These interests you and your fiancé share are a sort of romance insurance that will hold you together in lasting companionship throughout the years, no matter what happens. These interests put love on a firm, durable foundation, and every romance needs them.

How many interests have you and the boy you love in common? Count them! If there aren't very many, see what you can do to safeguard your romance by sharing the following things:

Your plans for the future. Are you planning a home for when you are married? Are you planning just what you both want out of the future and how each of you can help the other? Are you looking ahead and working toward a goal—together? If so, you're strengthening your love at the same time.

Your hobby interests. Find something you both enjoy, and share it! There are hobbies for every taste, and surely you can find one you both are enthusiastic about. The discovery of a mutual hobby will greatly increase your pleasure in each other's company.

Your interest in his work. Learn something about it, so he can discuss it intelligently with you. While he himself must be the one to handle his own business dealings, having someone to talk them over with may prove of inestimable help to him. And it will draw you closer together.

Your mutual likes and dislikes. Are there a lot of them to begin with? If so, fine. If not, try to increase them. Once you've made up your mind you love the boy, try to share his tastes as much as possible. You may learn to enjoy something you never appreciated before; new horizons that will enrich your life may be opened up for you. Certainly you'll learn to understand and love him more. And in that, will lie the real secret of your happiness.

No two people can live entirely unto themselves. They must have outside interests. Make these interests your allies. Let them build not only a stronger love for you two to share, but a fuller, richer, more interesting life for both of you.

DO YOU WANT TO BE DIFFERENT?

Of course, you do! No one wants to be just like everyone else. Every girl cherishes the moment when the one-and-only says, "I never met a girl like you.

You're different. You're wonderful."

It's right and natural for all of us to want to stand out from the crowd, to want to be like nobody else in the world but ourselves. The trouble is, many a girl lets her longing to be unique lead her into strange and twisted patterns of eccentricity that have nothing at all to do with her own personality.

Janet is like that. Janet decided way back in junior high that the best way to be different in the homey atmosphere of a small town was to be blasé and sophisticated. So Janet affects what she believes to be a New York accent, talks loftily of fashions, plays, and morals about which her listeners know nothing, and does her best to convey the impression that she's bored and out of her element in the small town which is her home.

Some of the boys and girls do take Janet at her own valuation and think of her as more sophisticated than the ordinary run of girls. But the more they think so, the less they like her, and everyone has a much better time when she isn't around.

How can you be different, and yet not be queer and eccentric? How can you be different and still be loved?

The answer is simple. Learn to be like other people before you try to be unlike them.

"He's one of us," is the most sincere tribute ordinary people can give to a statesman. Probably he's really very different from his constituents. But at some time he lived just the kind of life they're living, felt the way they do, dreamed the same kind of dreams. His differentness doesn't shock or hurt them, because they know he understands them.

You can be that way, too. Remember, you're not good enough to be different from other people unless you're good enough to be like them. So care about your town, your family, your school. Listen to other people's small talk and take part in it. Don't scorn good grooming, little courtesies, small-town fun, small-town boys.

Being like other people is step number one. Being different is step number two. And you'll be hated or envied if you try to change the order around.

And now how can you be happily, successfully different? By having more than other people do of the traits the world admires. Janet made a great mistake when she supposed that sophistication was an admirable and lovable trait. Actually it rates at the end of the list whenever men are asked what they want most in a girl. On the other hand, these are the traits that make a girl both lovable and different:

1. Sincerity. Often when a boy whispers those magic words, "I didn't know there were any girls in the world like you," he's expressing his delight at finding a girl more honest and less given to affectation and tricks than other girls.

Sincerity is one of the best qualities in the world. If you're different from others because you're more honest and sincere, people will love you for it, instead of envying you your popularity.

2. Generosity. There is almost never more than one truly generous person in a group. Of course, generosity means a great deal more than always being willing to stand treat. It means that you're generous in your thinking.

Just as the person who's truly generous about money doesn't ask herself, "Am I spending more on my friend than he is on me?" so the person who's truly generous in thinking doesn't say to herself, "Is there anything in this for me?" or "After all, I don't owe her anything!" or "I'm going to get even with her if it's the last thing I do!"

Instead the generous person gives everyone the benefit of the doubt and thinks lovingly of her friends and charitably of her enemies.

3. Responsiveness. In every group there is one person who stands out above the rest. Everyone loves her, admires her, wants to be like her. She's the person for whom it is fun to do things.

"I'd walk a mile to tell Laura a joke," a girl said of her friend the other day. "She laughs so hard, the joke seems ten times funnier."

Such people are often thought of as changeable, and indeed they are. Moved to tenderness at one moment by a friend's misfortune, they're bubbling with excitement or laughter the next. They're as different from other people as firelight is different from an electric bulb, and their differentness is an art worth learning.

4. Achievement. The world is full of people who are always going to do something. If you're the person who really does it, you can be unique and different in a very happy way.

Be the one in your group who reads a good book every month or takes music lessons or dances the smoothest or has the most interesting job.

Be different if you can. But be different in an honest, creative way that brings appreciation from your friends and inner happiness to yourself.

VARY YOUR DATES

It's wonderful to have a steady boy friend. There's nothing in the world that gives you such a feeling of security, trust, companionship. But don't let your dates grow stale! Vary them! Make them adventures! It will make both you and your romance more in-

teresting! On your next dates, why not:

Go sight-seeing? Probably there are parts of your town or city you've never seen—interesting places! Why not see them? It will be fun, it will be inexpensive, and it will give you and your date the feeling of world travelers if you can discover colorful, interesting facts and places right in your own home town!

Meet new people? There's nothing so fascinating as discovering new personalities! Why not introduce your date to people he's never met before, and have him do the same for you? It will broaden your acquaintanceship, lead to all sorts of interesting adventures in personality. After all, there's no greater magic than that of human nature itself!

Test your skills? You can have fun right in your own living room with a quiz program, a crossword puzzle, a closely-matched game of chess or checkers.

Cook him a dinner? It will flatter him. It will relax him. It will show you in your most feminine role. It will give you two a wonderful sense of companionship, make you feel at home with each other. And he's bound to like you more when it's over.

Go out for dinner? Make it a gala occasion. Having dinner out, with good food, good service, and a companionable twosome, definitely lifts the spirits. Without any doubt at all, it will lift your romance, too!

Work together? It may be only painting an old kitchen chair, but it will be fun if you do it together. If you share a hobby, you'll share a whole new world of interest and hours of stimulating work and effort. Work always draws people together—try it and see!

Go in for sports? Does he like to bowl? Then go bowling with him. Does he swim? Then plan a picnic at the beach, whether you're an expert swimmer or not. There's nothing as relaxing as sports or as great an adventure in companionship.

Do something he likes? It will please him to have you discover his interests. Also it may add to your own interests and it will certainly add to your understanding of him. And on the next date, the same thing can be reversed, when you both do something you like.

Give a party? It's adventure itself! And it's bound to help romance. Even if it means only inviting an extra couple or two in for a Saturday night snack, try it. It's bound to be fun for all of you.

LOVE IS LIKE THAT

I've got sparkle, a lively style,
A buoyant spirit, a flashing smile.
But no matter how much verve I've got,
If you don't know I'm alive—I'm not!
M. R.

SECOND-CHOICE Bride

WHEN YOU MARRY A MAN WHO HAS ALWAYS BEEN IN LOVE WITH ANOTHER GIRL, CAN YOU EVER BE SURE HE REALLY BELONGS TO YOU?



OH, PEGGY! IT CAME! THE LETTER TELLING ME MY PICTURES WON THE "BE A MODEL" CONTEST! THEY SENT ME A CHECK AND A TICKET TO NEW YORK!

THE THREE OF US HAD GONE THROUGH SCHOOL TOGETHER... VIDETTE, WHO WAS MY BEST GIRL FRIEND AND NED, WHO HAD BEEN VIDETTE'S PROPERTY EVER SINCE WE WERE KIDS AND WHO HAD EYES FOR NO ONE ELSE. VIDETTE HAD ALWAYS KNOWN I WAS IN LOVE WITH NED, TOO, BUT IT NEVER BOTHERED HER BECAUSE SHE KNEW I DIDN'T STAND A CHANCE. I WAS JUST PEGGY WYLIE, VIDETTE'S SIDE-KICK. ALTHOUGH VIDETTE INTENDED TO MARRY NED, SHE HAD DREAMED OF A MODELING CAREER EVER SINCE WE HAD BOTH APPEARED IN A LOCAL FASHION SHOW...

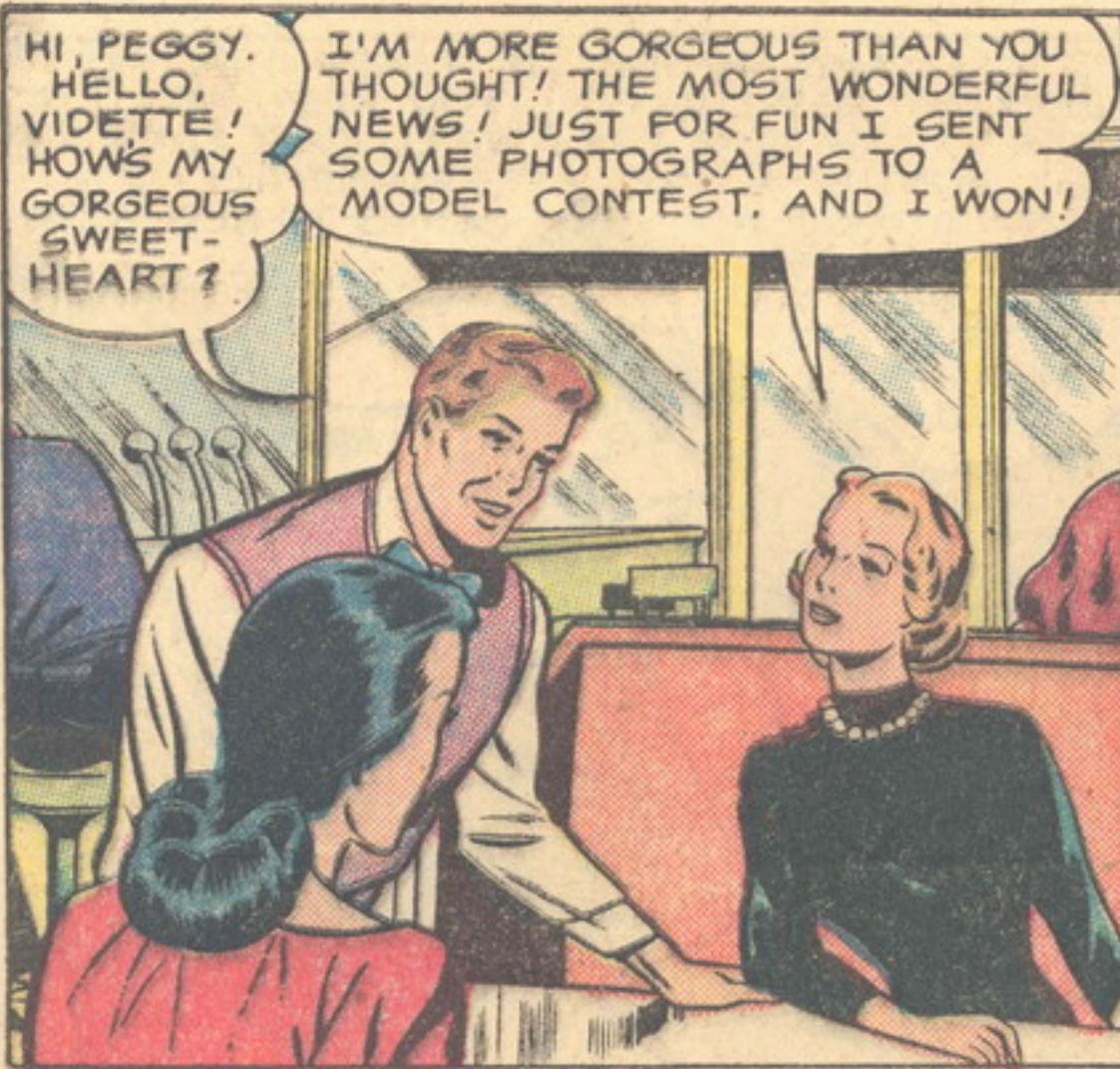
I GET A FREE COURSE AT THE DENHAM MODELING SCHOOL AND THEY WILL PAY MY EXPENSES FOR SIX MONTHS WHILE I GET EXPERIENCE AS A MODEL!

BUT, VIDETTE, WHAT ABOUT NED? WEREN'T YOU PLANNING YOUR WEDDING FOR THE FIRST OF THE YEAR?

WE'LL JUST HAVE TO PUT THE WEDDING OFF FOR SIX MONTHS! THIS IS TOO WONDERFUL AND EXCITING TO PASS UP!

HERE COMES NED NOW!





HI, PEGGY.
HELLO,
VIDETTE!
HOW'S MY
GORGEOUS
SWEET-
HEART?

I'M MORE GORGEOUS THAN YOU
THOUGHT! THE MOST WONDERFUL
NEWS! JUST FOR FUN I SENT
SOME PHOTOGRAPHS TO A
MODEL CONTEST, AND I WON!

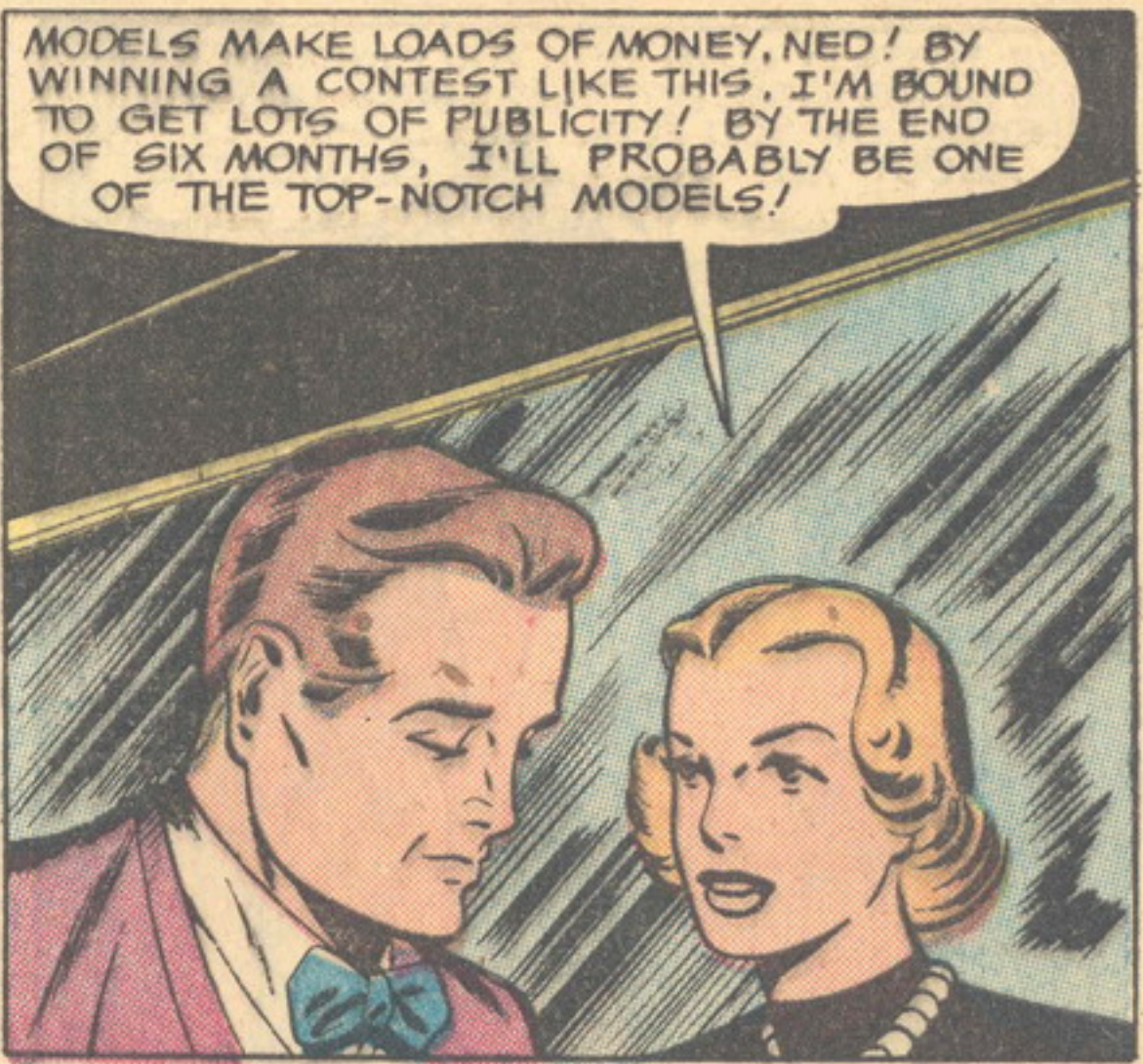


I GET A TRIP TO
NEW YORK, A
COURSE IN
MODELING,
AND SIX
MONTHS OF
MODELING
JOBS
ASSURED!

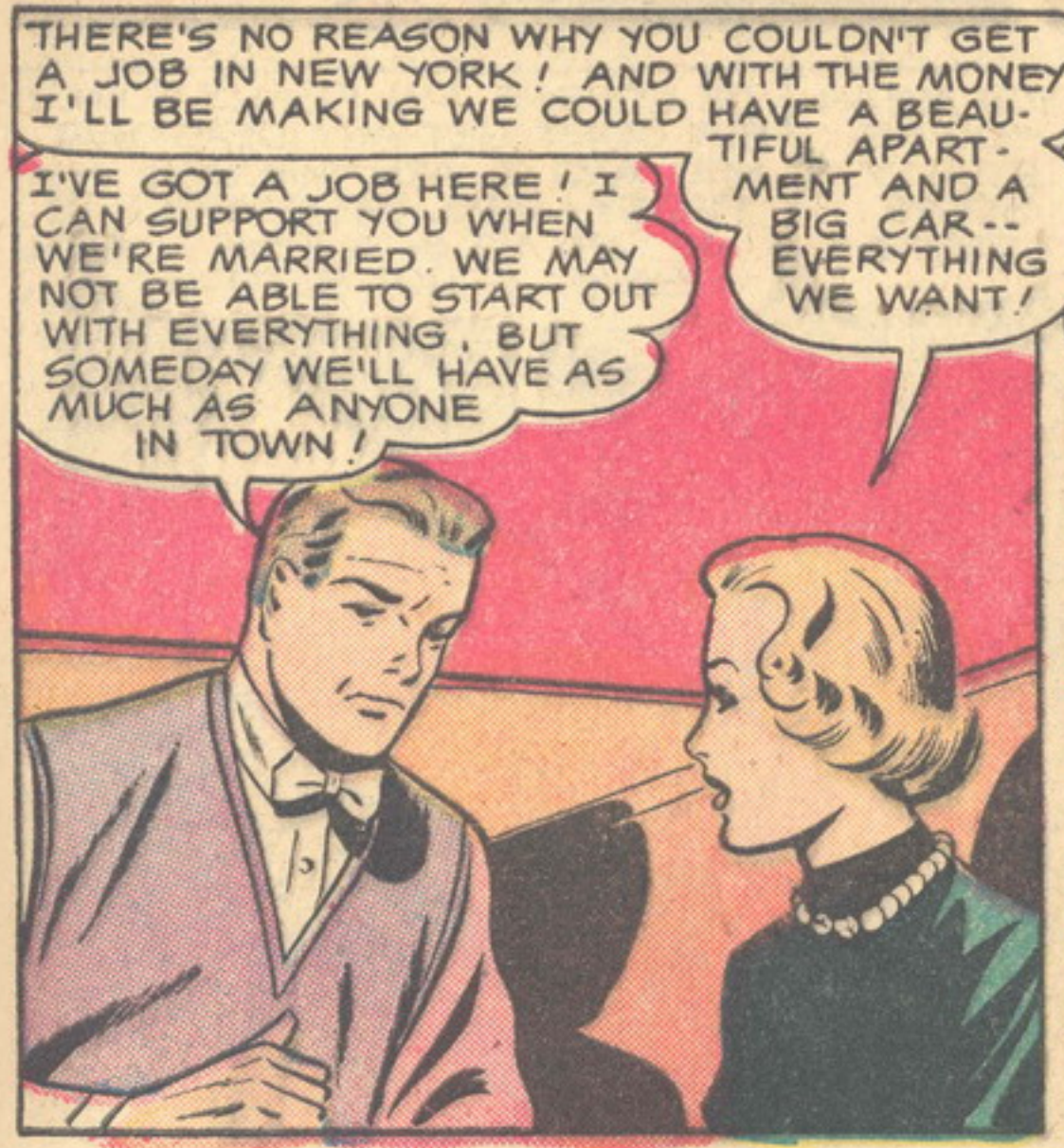
I'M NOT SURPRISED
THAT YOU WON, VIDETTE,
BUT WHY SHOULD YOU
WANT A COURSE IN MODEL-
ING AND A BUNCH OF
MODELING JOBS WHEN
YOU'RE GOING TO
MARRY ME?



OH, NED! THIS IS SOMETHING THAT
HAPPENS ONCE IN A LIFETIME, AND
NOT TO EVERYONE! I'D BE A FOOL
TO PASS UP A CHANCE
LIKE THIS!



MODELS MAKE LOADS OF MONEY, NED! BY
WINNING A CONTEST LIKE THIS, I'M BOUND
TO GET LOTS OF PUBLICITY! BY THE END
OF SIX MONTHS, I'LL PROBABLY BE ONE
OF THE TOP-NOTCH MODELS!



THERE'S NO REASON WHY YOU COULDN'T GET
A JOB IN NEW YORK! AND WITH THE MONEY
I'LL BE MAKING WE COULD HAVE A BEAU-
TIFUL APART-
MENT AND A
BIG CAR--
EVERYTHING
WE WANT!

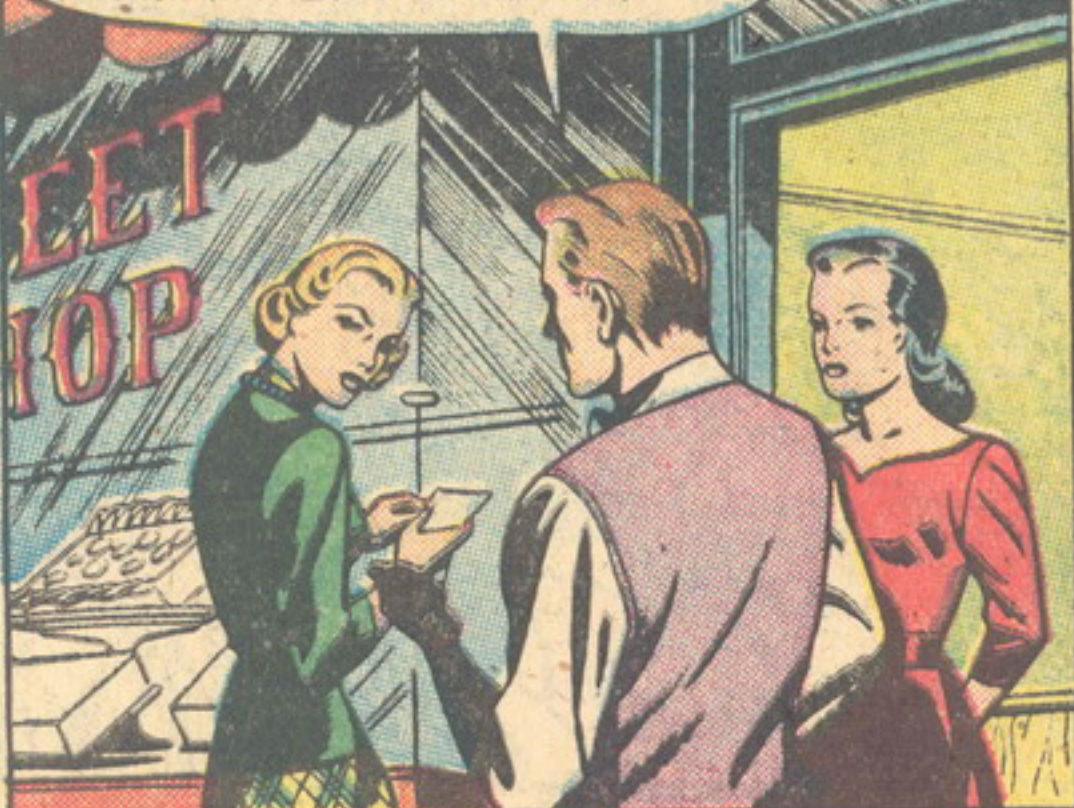
I'VE GOT A JOB HERE! I
CAN SUPPORT YOU WHEN
WE'RE MARRIED. WE MAY
NOT BE ABLE TO START OUT
WITH EVERYTHING, BUT
SOMEDAY WE'LL HAVE AS
MUCH AS ANYONE
IN TOWN!



I THOUGHT YOU'D
BE AS EXCITED
ABOUT THE
WHOLE THING
AS I AM!
BUT YOU'RE
SPOILING
EVERYTHING
FOR ME!

I'M SORRY, VIDETTE! BUT
IT LOOKS TO ME AS THOUGH
YOU'RE MORE INTERESTED
IN BECOMING A MODEL AND
GOING TO NEW YORK THAN
YOU ARE IN MARRYING ME!

WE MIGHT AS WELL HAVE THIS OUT, VIDETTE! EITHER YOU'RE GOING TO STAY HERE AND MARRY ME ON THE DATE WE SET, OR YOU AREN'T! AND IF YOU AREN'T, WE'LL JUST CALL THE WHOLE THING OFF PERMANENTLY!



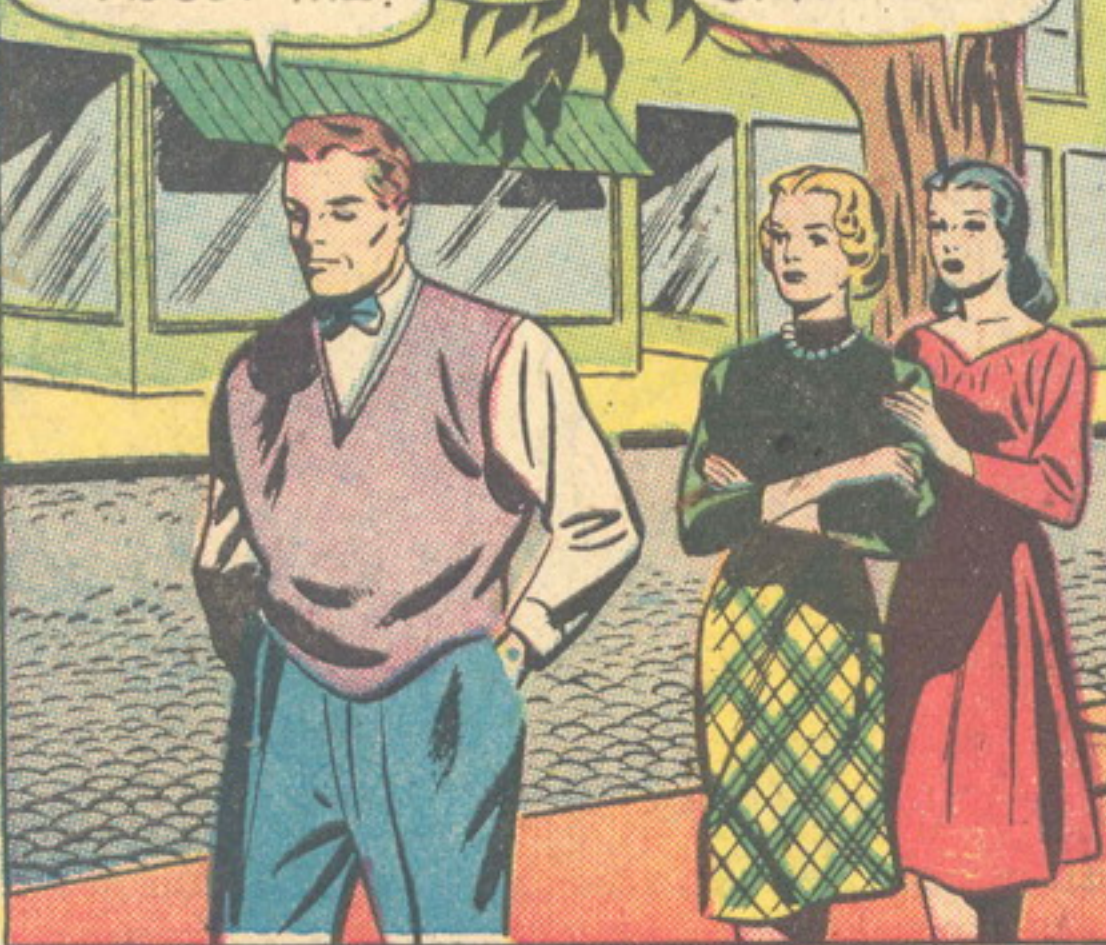
IF YOU LOVED ME YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO GO OFF TO NEW YORK FOR SIX MONTHS ALONE, AND I HAVE NO INTENTION OF FOLLOWING YOU THERE IN SIX MONTHS OR EVER!

IF THAT'S THE WAY YOU FEEL ABOUT IT, WE'LL CALL IT OFF PERMANENTLY! I'M GOING TO NEW YORK!



I'VE BEEN IN LOVE WITH YOU SINCE WE WERE KIDS, BUT THIS SURE SHOWS HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT ME!

OH, VIDETTE!



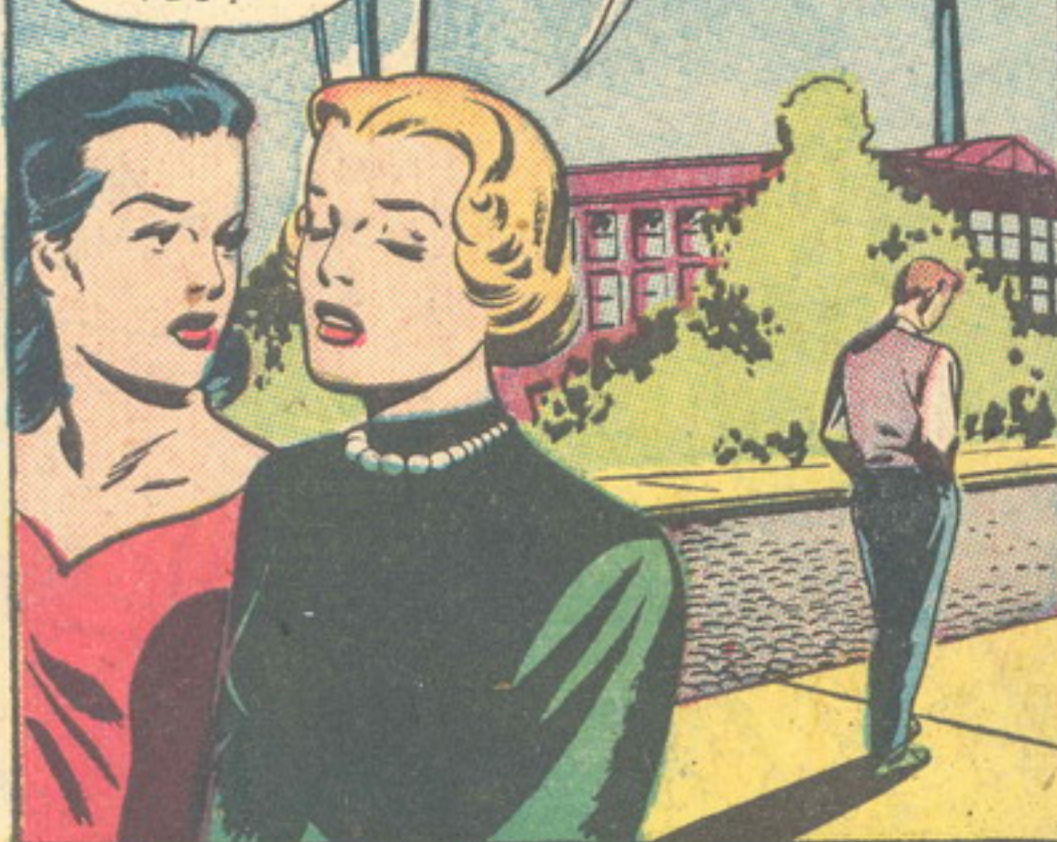
I DIDN'T KNOW HE COULD BE SO MEAN AND SELF-ISH! HE OUGHT TO BE PROUD OF ME AND DO EVERYTHING HE CAN TO HELP ME!

YOU CAN'T BLAME HIM, VIDETTE! AFTER ALL, YOU HAD YOUR WEDDING DATE ALL SET, AND THEN YOU WANT TO CHANGE HIS LIFE AND ALL THE PLANS YOU MADE TOGETHER!



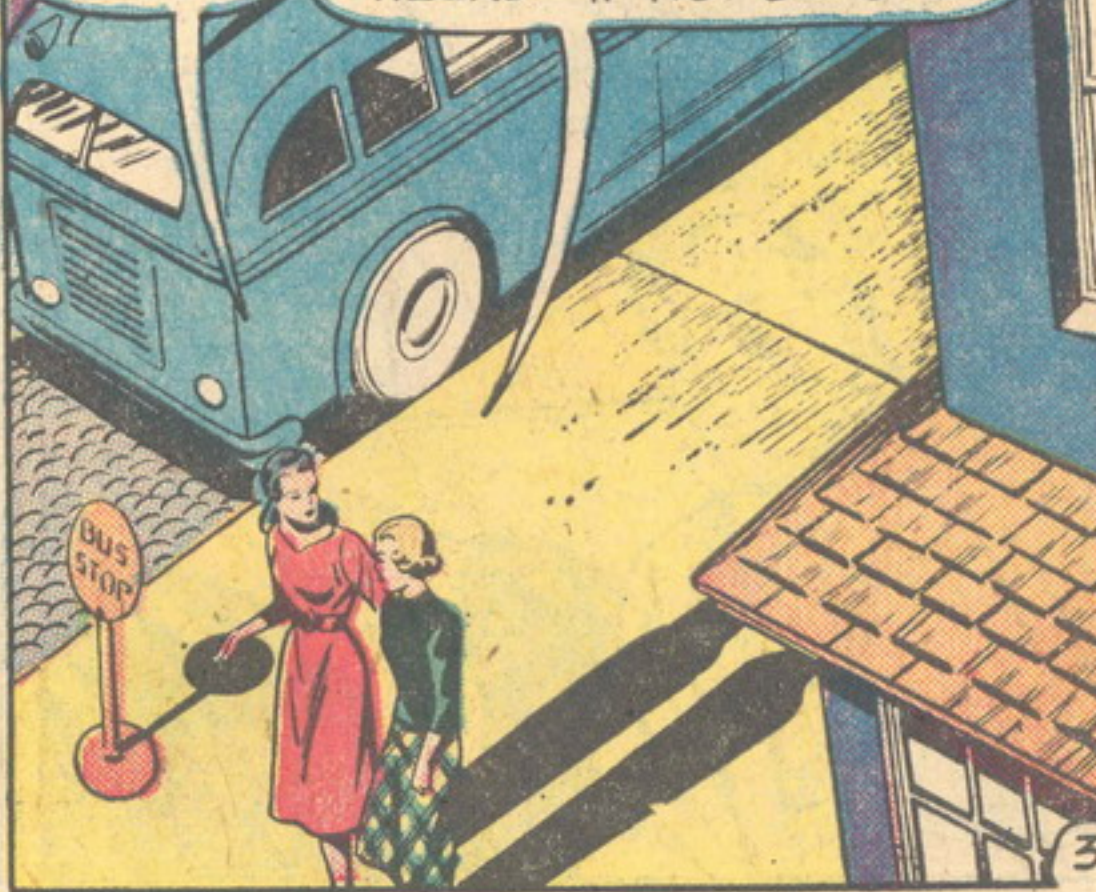
HE SOUNDED LIKE HE MEANT IT WHEN HE SAID IF YOU WENT IT WAS THE END OF THINGS BETWEEN YOU!

HE'LL GET OVER THE WAY HE FEELS! AS SOON AS I'M GONE HE'LL COME TO HIS SENSES!



YOU MEAN YOU'RE REALLY GOING, VIDETTE?

OF COURSE I'M REALLY GOING! BUT DON'T GET ANY IDEAS THAT NED AND I ARE THROUGH, PEGGY! HE'LL BE CHASING AFTER ME IN A FEW WEEKS-- IF NOT BEFORE!



BUT NED DIDN'T CHASE AFTER PEGGY. AND A FEW WEEKS LATER HE DROPPED INTO MY FATHER'S OFFICE WHERE I WORKED...

I THOUGHT I'D STOP BY AND SEE IF YOU'D GO TO THE MOVIES WITH ME SOME NIGHT, PEGGY!

OH, NED! I'D LOVE TO, BUT I'M SURE VIDETTE WOULDN'T LIKE IT!



LOOK, PEGGY, I'M HAVING A HARD TIME CONVINCING YOU AND EVERYONE ELSE IN TOWN THAT VIDETTE AND I ARE THROUGH, BUT IT'S TRUE!



YOU WERE THERE THAT DAY WHEN SHE SAID THE WEDDING IS OFF PERMANENTLY!

BUT SHE DIDN'T REALLY MEAN IT, NED, AND I'M SURE SHE DIDN'T THINK YOU MEANT IT EITHER!



I **DID** MEAN IT! WHEN SHE WENT, THAT WAS THAT! HOW ABOUT THAT MOVIE DATE? TONIGHT IF YOU AREN'T DOING ANYTHING!

WELL, ALL RIGHT!



I KNEW I'D NEVER GET OVER LOVING NED AND THAT THE WAY I FELT ABOUT HIM WAS WHAT HAD KEPT ME FROM BECOMING INTERESTED IN ANY OF THE OTHER BOYS IN TOWN, BUT I COULDN'T GET OVER THE FEELING THAT HE STILL BELONGED TO VIDETTE. LETTERS FROM VIDETTE TOLD ABOUT THE WONDERFUL DATES SHE WAS HAVING IN NEW YORK, BUT WHEN I WROTE HER THAT I WAS GOING OUT WITH NED, SHE STOPPED WRITING. NED KEPT ASKING ME FOR DATES AND IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THE SHADOW OF VIDETTE, I WOULD HAVE BEEN THE HAPPIEST GIRL IN THE WORLD...

THEN, AT A CHRISTMAS PARTY...

I'VE GOT YOU WHERE I WANT YOU AT LAST, PEGGY! I'VE BEEN TRYING TO KISS YOU FOR WEEKS, BUT YOU ALWAYS MANAGE TO ELUDE ME!

FROM NOW ON I'LL CARRY A PIECE OF MISTLETOE AROUND WITH ME!



BEING IN NED'S ARMS AND HAVING HIM KISS ME HAD BEEN ONE OF MY HOPELESS DREAMS FOR YEARS, AND NOW THAT DREAM HAD COME TRUE, BUT I WAS AFRAID TO BELIEVE IT MEANT ANYTHING...

YOU'RE AWFULLY SWEET, PEGGY, AND WE'VE HAD A WONDERFUL TIME TOGETHER THESE PAST FEW WEEKS! I MUST HAVE BEEN BLIND ALL THESE YEARS NOT TO HAVE REALIZED WHAT A BEAUTIFUL AND SWELL PERSON YOU ARE!

OH, NED!



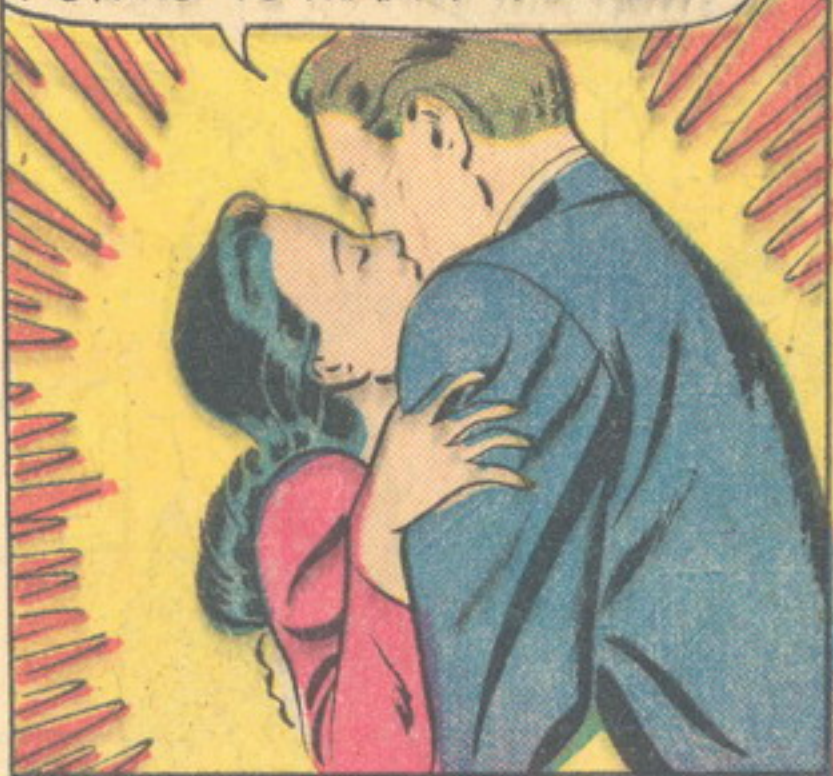
I HOPE YOU FEEL ABOUT ME THE WAY I DO ABOUT YOU, BECAUSE BEING WITH YOU IS A HABIT I DON'T WANT TO BREAK. WILL YOU MARRY ME, PEGGY?

OH, I DO LIKE BEING WITH YOU, NED, BUT I COULDN'T MARRY YOU! WHAT ABOUT VIDETTE?



HIS LIPS CRUSHED THE OTHER GIRL'S NAME FROM MY LIPS...

LET'S NEVER MENTION VIDETTE AGAIN! I TOLD YOU THAT WAS OVER! YOU'RE THE GIRL I'M ASKING TO MARRY ME NOW!



AND SO WE WERE MARRIED! IT WAS NED WHO HAD PICKED THE DATE-- NEW YEAR'S EVE-- AND I REALIZED IT WAS THE SAME DATE HE AND VIDETTE HAD DECIDED UPON! BUT ALTHOUGH NED HAD ASKED ME NEVER TO MENTION VIDETTE AGAIN, I WAS SURE HE HAD NOT FORGOTTEN HER, AND NEITHER HAD I!



NED'S PARENTS GAVE US A LITTLE HOUSE AND I GAVE UP MY JOB IN DAD'S OFFICE AND SETTLED DOWN TO BEING A FULL-TIME WIFE, BECAUSE THAT WAS THE WAY NED WANTED IT...

OH, NED! I DIDN'T HEAR YOU COME IN! I DIDN'T REALIZE IT WAS TIME FOR YOU TO COME HOME!

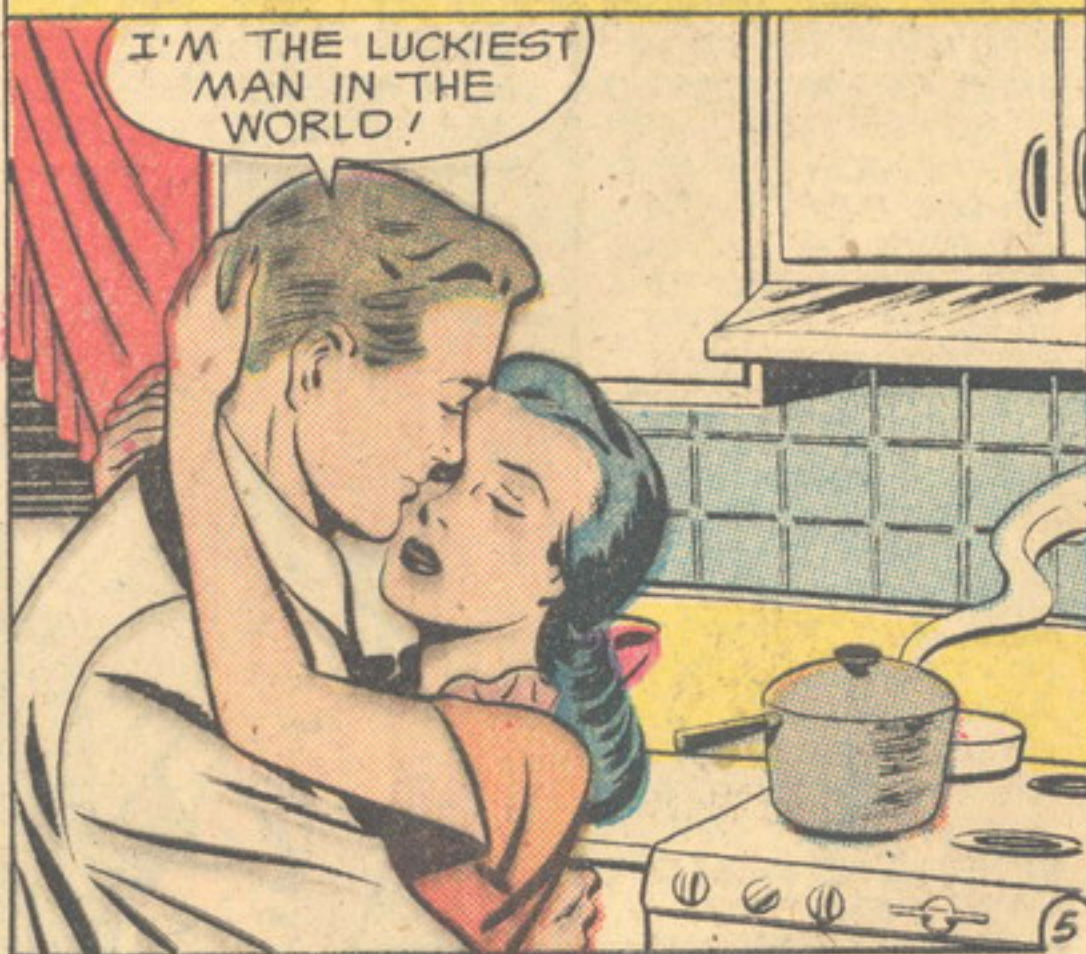


I GOT OFF EARLY! I LIKE TO COME HOME AND FIND YOU SO BUSY WITH YOUR HOUSEWORK AND LOOKING SO CUTE AND EFFICIENT!



AT TIMES LIKE THIS I ALMOST FORGOT ABOUT VIDETTE, AND WAS SWEEPED UP IN THE ECSTASY OF BELONGING TO THE MAN I HAD LOVED FOR SO LONG...

I'M THE LUCKIEST MAN IN THE WORLD!



AT OTHER TIMES I WONDERED IF NED HAD ONLY MARRIED ME TO SHOW VIDETTE THAT HE HAD NO INTENTION OF WAITING FOR HER, AND I SOON LEARNED THE REST OF THE TOWN WONDERED THE SAME THING...



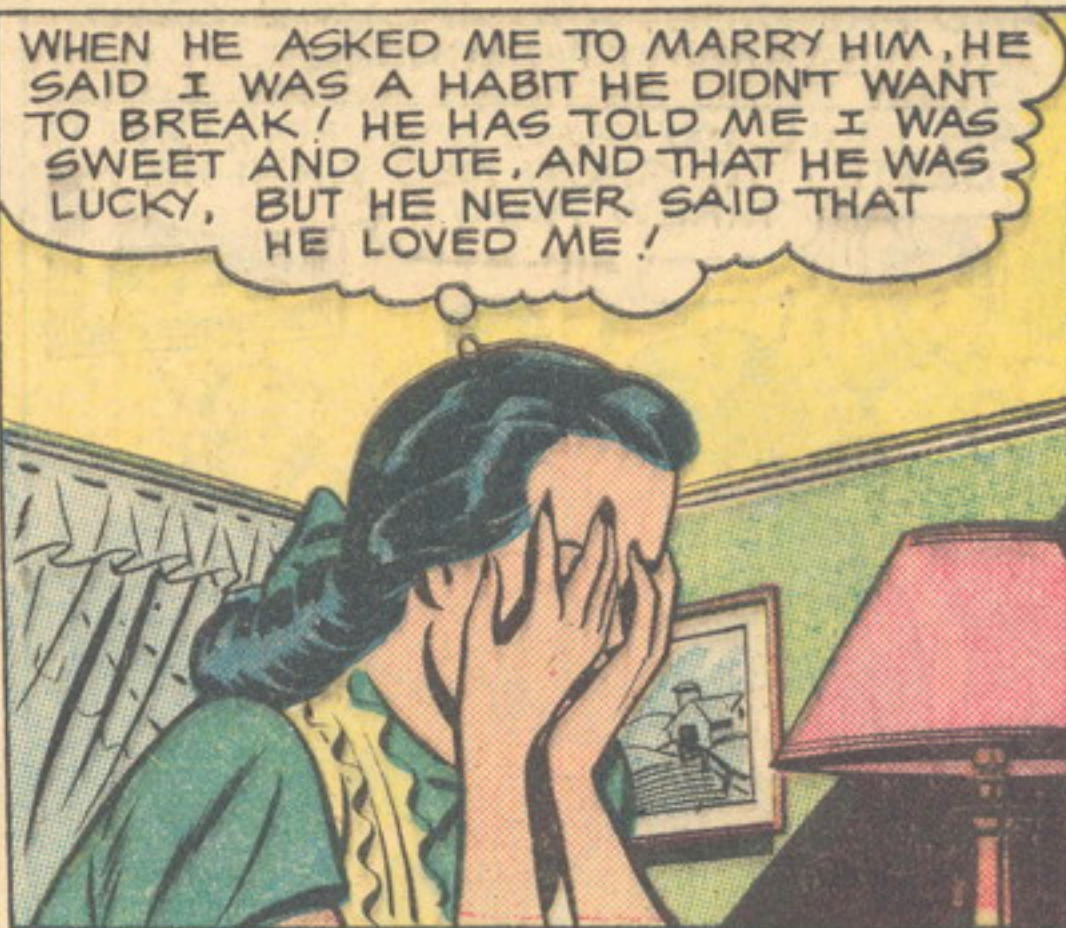
WHY SHOULDN'T SHE MARRY HIM? IF VIDETTE HAD REALLY WANTED HIM SHE WOULDN'T HAVE GONE TO NEW YORK!



I DIDN'T LET THEM KNOW I HEARD THEM, AND NOT UNTIL THEY WERE GONE DID I LET MYSELF GO...



SUDDENLY I REALIZED THAT NED HAD NEVER REALLY SAID HE LOVED ME...



BY THE TIME NED CAME HOME, I WAS NEAR THE BREAKING-POINT! ALL MY OWN HIDDEN DOUBTS HAD BURST FORTH AND I FELT THAT IF HE TOUCHED ME, I COULDN'T BEAR IT AND WOULD REALLY GO TO PIECES...



WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU, PEGGY? I'VE NEVER SEEN YOU LIKE THIS BEFORE! HAS SOMETHING HAPPENED TO BOTHER YOU?



As the days passed, my state of mind grew worse. I was consumed by doubts and jealousy. I knew I was destroying Ned's happiness and my own, but I couldn't help myself. If I had been able to bring the whole thing out into the open, it would have helped, but the fact that he didn't want to talk about Vidette made me even more sure he still loved her and I was just a poor substitute...

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PEGGY, YOU'RE NOT LIKE THE SAME GIRL I MARRIED!

WELL, PERHAPS YOU MARRIED THE WRONG GIRL!

WHEN NED ASKED ME WHAT I MEANT BY MY REMARK, I WOULDN'T TELL HIM, AND WE HAD OUR FIRST QUARREL AND THINGS GREW WORSE. THEN SUDDENLY THE TOWN HEARD VIDETTE WAS ENGAGED TO BOB DENHAM, WHO RAN THE NATIONALLY-KNOWN MODEL AGENCY, AND WAS COMING HOME TO BE MARRIED. ONE NIGHT OUR BELL RANG...

VIDETTE!

VIDETTE INTRODUCED HER FIANCÉ, SHOWED US HER HUGE DIAMOND, BRAGGED ABOUT HER CAREER AND HER FIANCÉ'S WEALTH AND PRESTIGE, AND AT LAST I COULD STAND IT NO LONGER...

THIS IS ALL YOU CAME BACK FOR, ISN'T IT, VIDETTE! TO SHOW NED WHAT HE THREW AWAY!

PEGGY!

SITTING HERE WATCHING YOU AND LISTENING TO YOU, VIDETTE, I'M BEGINNING TO REALIZE WHAT PEGGY SAYS MIGHT BE TRUE! YOU CAME BACK HERE TO FLAUNT ME AND YOUR CAREER IN FRONT OF THE MAN YOU ONCE TOLD ME YOU INTENDED TO MARRY, AND THE GIRL WHO MARRIED HIM!

I THINK I MADE A MISTAKE IN THE KIND OF GIRL I THOUGHT YOU WERE. WE'D BETTER CALL THINGS OFF!

BOB! I-- I'VE BEEN AN AWFUL FOOL! MY PRIDE WOULDN'T LET ME ADMIT NED AND PEGGY WERE RIGHT FOR EACH OTHER, AND YOU WERE THE ONLY ONE FOR ME! YOU'RE ALL I WANT, EVER!

SWEETHEART, VIDETTE HASN'T FIGURED IN MY LIFE SINCE WE BEGAN GOING TOGETHER-- THAT'S WHY IT DIDN'T SEEM NECESSARY TO DISCUSS HER! BUT IF I'D KNOWN HOW YOU FELT, WE WOULD HAVE HAD IT OUT LONG AGO! I'M GLAD SHE CAME BACK SO THAT I COULD TELL YOU YOU'RE THE ONLY GIRL I LOVE!

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE REALLY BEEN SURE YOU'RE MINE, AND THAT'S WHY I'VE BEEN ACTING SO CHILDISH, DARLING! I'LL NEVER BE THAT WAY AGAIN!

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SIZES
34 TO 52



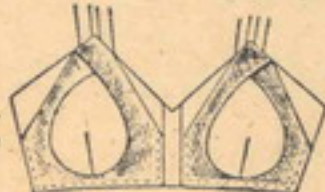
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—Mrs. B. Hautt, Norwalk, Conn.



BEFORE

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AFTER

she wore "Yuth-Bust" Bra, her glamorous bustline permitted her to wear youthful, smart style clothes and go places with her husband.

MEDIUM BUST

SIZES
32 TO 42



STYLE No. 505

New Patent Pend. constructed "Glamour-Form" bra corrects medium bust problems in a jiffy!

COLORS—NUDE, WHITE, BLUE, BLACK

You rarely see a woman with an average size bust which is naturally perfect. That is because a woman's breast muscles and tissues break down leaving your bust shaped with one or more problems that should be overcome. Your medium bust may be too flatly spread out, or it may sag too much, or it may have lost its firmness and roundness. Your ordinary bra is not designed to correct your individual bust problem. For this reason a famous bust culture stylist designed the "Glamour-Form" Bra to specifically correct the medium size bust problems. Does wonders for your figure in any outfit you wear—like no other bra! Gorgeous, wonderful quality fabric that washes like a dream! Simple adjustable shoulder straps and adjustable elastic back closing. Only..

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—Miss J. Ward, Birmingham, Michigan.



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AFTER she wore the "Glamour-Form" Bra for her average size bust, her bewitching bustline made her clothes fit her like a movie star. She now sparkles with personality and is socially popular.



PICTURED HERE are some of the Medium Bust types who can be helped.



Famous bust culture stylist created this wonderlike feature underneath the bra. It instantly flattens and accentuates the average size bust, gives them a firm uplift, roundness, and highness no matter whether your medium size bust sags too much, or is too flatly spread out, or is not firm or round enough.

SMALL BUST

SIZES
28 TO 38

Special Design "Up-and-Out" Bra gives You a Fuller, Alluring Bustline Instantly!

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COLORS

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BLUE, BLACK

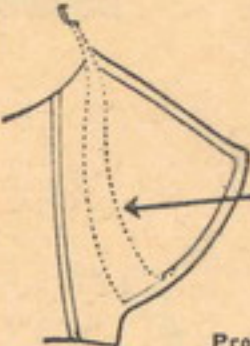
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